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Just Say No to Scapegoating

The gay/lesbian Congregation Sha'ar Zahav was just one of many groups who marched down San Francisco's Mission Street last Saturday to protest the anti-immigrant Prop. 187 on November's ballot.

Colorado Supreme Court Overturns Amendment Two

But the Attorney General There Won't Give Up

United Press International

DENVER - By a 2-1 vote Tuesday, October 11, the Colorado Supreme Court upheld a lower court ruling that Amendment Two, the state's controversial measure banning protected status for lesbians and gays, is unconstitutional.

The high court agreed with Denver District Court Judge Jeffrey Bayless, who ruled last December that Amendment Two violated the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, which guarantees due process and equal protection.

Amendment Two was passed by voters in the 1992 election and hanned laws that

in the 1992 election and banned laws that protect homosexuals from discrimination in housing, employment and public accommodations. It also repealed such laws already in place in Aspen, Boulder, and Denver.

It also prohibited the state or other governments in the state from passing such anti-discrimination laws in the future, meaning homosexuals would be prohibited from lobbying the Legislature for any laws in the future or for seeking redress

The passage of Amendment Two triggered a tidal wave of opposition from gay rights groups and celebrities, including tennis star Martina Navratilova, an acknowledged lesbian, who owns a home in Asser.

Attorney Jean Dubofsky, who argued against the amendment, heralded the high court's decision.

"We are real happy with the decision," she said. "We got what we wanted out of the case – a ruling that the amendment violated the U.S. Constitution."

Attorney General Gale Norton, in the midst of a heated re-election campaign, said the case would be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

"This case raises a very important issue about how civil rights issues will be han-dled in the future and the ability of individuals to vote on important moral

issues," she said. "The way in which the Colorado Supreme Court decided this case says that any group on the losing end of a constitutional amendment can claim their rights are violated."

Norton said the appeal would be made to the nation's high court within a month to six weeks. She added that she did not believe her efforts would affect her re-

election.

"It's clearly the responsibility of the attorney general to defend the voice of the people," she said. "The people of Colorado voted in Amendment Two [by a 53 percent majority]. Their motivation was not anti-homosexual, but because they wanted individuals to be able to make

individual evaluation of morality."

Norton's own evaluation of morality is said to be shaped by her bitterness that her ex-husband left her when he came to terms with his homosexuality.

Dubofsky said she hoped the nation's highest court would decline to hear the

appeal.

"I don't know if this is a case the U.S.
Supreme Court would bother with," she

"Stalker" Met Mogul at Gay Bar

by Dennis Conkin

Despite his initial claims to reporters last week, KOFY-TV owner Jim Gabbert did not originally meet Sean Sebring, the young man who is accused of stalking him, at an August television station "cattle call" for extras, the Bay Area Reporter has learned.

Gabbert has confirmed that he actually met the 25-year-old former Marine at the

p o p u l a r Guerneville gay bar Zig-gurat, but, he told the B.A.R., "because it was a gay disco, I was afraid of being ex-posed. I was trying to con-tain things. I didn't think it

Sean Sebring

body's business, that it didn't have

anything to do with things (Continued on page 3)

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ELECTION

HRCF's Analysis of '94 Races

"I don't think that people understand how much is at stake in the congressional elections this year," Daniel Zingale, savs

director of public policy at the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) and head of their political action committee (PAC).

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COMMUNITY NEWS



Lauding Leonard: Supe Susan Leal congratulates Dr. Leonard Simpson on his AIDS Activist of the Year Award presented by ACT UP/Golden Gate.

ACT UP, Supes Honor Dr. Leonard Simpson

by Kent Brandley

It was Dr. Leonard Simpson Day in San Francisco on Sunday, October 9 as ACT UP/ Golden Gate honored the orthopedic surgeon with the "AIDS Activist of the Year Award" for his activist work outside his profession and for his encouragement of activism among the medical

It was the first award of its kind ever presented

It was the first award of its kind ever presented by ACT UP.
San Francisco lesbian Supervisors Susan Leal and Carole Migden joined about 200 others pre-sent – including gay supe candidate Tom Ammiano – for a reception honoring Simpson and a highly successful silent afternoon auction at Ristorante Ecco.

Dr. Simpson is past chairman of the Shanti

Dr. Simpson is past chairman of the Shanti Project and past president of the Bay Area Physicians for Human Rights (BAPHR).

Leal had introduced a resolution declaring

October 9 Leonard Simpson Day in the city, which was unanimously passed by the board of

Matthew Sharp, an ACT UP/Golden Gate spokesman, said the benefit was the most successful event held by the Treatment Issues Committee of ACT UP/Golden Gate, raising over \$20,000.

The money will be used to send activists to

important medical conferences and meetings,

important medical conferences and medical Sharp said.

Medical journalist Sari Staver, an ACT UP supporter who co-chaired the event, said it was named in memory of Andrew Zysman, M. D. an ACT UP/Golden Gate member who died a year ago.

"The medical community has come a long way in its acceptance of the role of AIDS activists such as those in ACT UP/Golden Gate," Simpson said in brief remarks accepting the award.

At the beginning of the AIDS epidemic many physicians – himself included – were sometimes (Continued on page 4)

BANGLE Celebrates With a Bang

Gay Teachers Throw Party To Say Thank God There's BANGLE

by Kent Brandley

The Bay Area Network of Gay and Lesbian Educators (BANGLE) will be celebrating its tenth anniversary next Friday, October 21. In honor of the occasion, the theme chosen for the party that will mark the anniversary is an age-old cry that means just as much to teachers as to their charges: "Thank God It's Friday."

The TGIF party will be held from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Charpe's Grill, located at 131 Gough Street, and BANGLE member Michael Job of San Francisco has extended an open invitation to all

Francisco has extended an open invitation to all gay, lesbian, and bisexual educators, and their

gay, lesbian, and bisexual educators, and their riends and supporters, to join the celebration. Festivities include a no-host bar, and hors d'œuvres. Participants will help plan BANGLE's 1994-95 school year's activities.

"This anniversary will be a time to rejoice in BANGLE's many accomplishments." Job said, "and to rekindle new life and energy into the organization".

BANGLE has done many positive things over BANGLE has done many positive tinigs over the years, Job said, listing but a few of its accom-plishments: "A book project has gotten lesbian and gay materials into many school libraries. A partnership with PG&E's gay and lesbian employ-ces last year alone gave out over \$5,000 worth of scholarships to gay, lesbian, and bisexual graduat-ing seniors. A panel of elementary, middle school, high school, and college teachers has shared coming-out-in-the-classroom stories to empower other teachers to come out. Meetings with school superintendents addressed concerns about homophobia in school districts," Job added.



He said workshops to overcome homophobia were conducted by BAN-GLE members and offered to school faculties

as in-service trainings.
The work of BANGLE is not done, Job said. "Ten years are only ten years.
BANGLE wants to march for another ten years in our community's pride

Michael Job

Micha the diversity of our community makes it into the textbooks." ▼

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Gabbert

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Gabbert also said the real Gabbert also said the real first meeting was a "very brief" fan-celebrity encounter that took place while he was with three other people – but after that evening, Sebring developed an obsessive attraction to him that turned into a hatred, which escalated into exterring attempts. escalated into extortion attempts and finally culminated in threats against his life.

At this time, Sebring remains in county jail on four felony counts that he stalked and made terrorist death threat phone calls to Gabbert, and tried to extort \$10 million from the multi-million-aire local media mogul. He has

Pleaded not guilty to the charges. Gabbert also acknowledged to the B.A.R. that Sebring had been a passenger in his private airplane when Gabbert flew to Oregon to pick up his lover of 27 years, following a relative's death, and that Sebring had been aboard his boat on August 15, despite news reports to the contrary. However, he said, the two had never been alone together and he describes as "absolutely

and he describes as "absolutely false" charges that he drugged the young man's drink with the psychedelic drug Eestasy and then sexually assaulted him.
"I have nothing to hide. I don't go out and get young boys drunk and then drug them. That doesn't mean I don't have sex, but a guy in my position doesn't. doesn't mean I don't have sex, but a guy in my position doesn't have to work very hard to get it," he told the *Bay Area Reporter*. "I've never seen him with his clothes off."

According to Cabbare by

According to Gabbert, he asked Sebring on August 15 to join himself and a couple of friends for dinner, because he was

"He called me on Monday morning at about 7:30 a.m. and said that I have taken over his mind, that he was mine forever, that I controlled his mind. He said he had to talk to me, that it was really important," Gabbert

was really important," Gabbert recalled.

Gabbert said the group, which included his lover and a close friend, planned to go to dinner in Tiburon but never made it because Sebring began acting "too wird"

acting "too weird."

"He talking about how he was emulating me. He kept talking about a 'cognitive state' and whether he was in it or not,' Gabbert said. The group returned to Gabbert's yacht, and Gabbert claims that Sebring

"When we were back on the big boat, he started pounding things with his fist and saying stuff that didn't make sense. He was screaming and yelling like a maniac," Gabbert said.

maniac," Gabbert said.

The captain of the ship restrained Sebring briefly, Gabbert told the B.A.R., until the young man ran off the yacht yelling, "Call 911, call 911, Jim Gabbert tried to rape me."

The other side of the story? Sebring's mother and two close friends recount a version of the story that is far different the than one Gabbert tells.

"I was with Sean the night be

"I was with Sean the night he met James Gabbert at Ziggurat," Mario Palmieri, a Santa Rosa nursing student, told the B.A.R. Palmieri recalled that soon after that meeting Selving had meeting, Sebra Sebring had expressed

expressed concern that Gabbert's growing interest in him was romantic.

Palmieri said that Sebring was "one of the most important people in his life" and that he trusted him implicitly.

Sebring claimed to Palmieri that on the night in question his with Ecstasy, he quickly began to feel euphoric, the next thing he knew Gabbert was perform-ing oral sex on him, and when he realized what was happening, he forced Gabbert to stop and then tried to flee the boat.

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Sebring also told another friend, who asked not to be identified, the same story in a two-hour phone call from a Sonoma County psychiatric facility to which he admitted himself the afternoon after the incident on the boat. incident on the boat.

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Santa Rosa forensic psychologist Davis Mannino told the B.A.R. that it was he who recommended Sebring admit himself to the Sonoma County psychiatic featility following the chiatric facility following the incident.

incident.
"I got a call from the emergency room," he recalled, "from Sean Sebring. He said he knew I was a doctor in Sonoma County. He said the he was in the ER on drugs and had been raped and didn't know what do. At the time he came across a someone. time he came across as someone on speed. He was convinced that Gabbert was out to kill him."

Also in the wake of the inci-

dent, Gabbert had obtained a tem-Gent, Gabbert had obtained a temporary restraining order against Sebring that included a clause forbidding Sebring to purchase a handgun until a hearing, Gabbert's attorney, Joe O' Sullivan, told the Bay Area Reporter.

O'Sullivan told the B.A.R. that he contacted the Department of Justice to gleat them to the

of Justice to alert them to the restraining order, and that Sebring was blocked when he attempted to purchase a gun at a Cotati gun shop for \$800 cash, in violation of the order.

Sebring's mother told the Bay Area Reporter that Sean was shortly thereafter committed to the Sonoma County psyted to the Sonoma County psychiatric facility a second time "in order to protect him," after someone allegedly broke into their house, roughed him up, and told him to "drop everything" against Gabbert or else.

Mannino said that he visited Sebring in the mental health facility during his second hospitalization — and contacted the police and Gabbert's attorney after the visit.

"One moment Sean was

"One moment Sean was extremely articulate and lucid, and the next second he moved into a crazed state," he said.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS



Time for a Change

The former American Association of Physicians for Human Rights unveiled its new name, Gay and Lesbian Medical Association, and new banner on, appropriately enough, National Coming Out Day, October 11.

Long-Term Thrivers Panel

Six San Francisco men considered long-term thrivers with HIV and AIDS will describe their particular paths to healing at "Absolutely Positive: Beyond HIV/AIDS," a panel at this weekend's Explorations in Natural Healing, a series of exhibits, lectures, and workshops presented by the Whole Life Expo. Whole Life Expo.

Whole Life Expo.

The panelists, according to a press release, are living proof that alternative, natural healing methods that work harmoniously with one's body mind and spirit are essential to living fully, passionately, and gratefully with HIV/AIDS.

The panel, moderated by San Francisco Center For Living Founder Gregg Cassin, will include Curtiss Hubbard, Jamie McHugh, Michael Onstott, and Jesse Weems. The event will be held Friday through Sunday, October 14-16 at the San Francisco Fashion Center. Tickets prices are \$7 for Friday admission, and \$12 each for Saturday and Sunday, Two- and three-day passes are also and Sunday. Two- and three-day passes are also

For more information contact the SF Whole Life Expo at (415) 721-2484.

Prevention Works

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A review of 77 published studies of HIV intervention programs around the world over the last decade indicates that such programs can be effective in changing AIDS risk behaviors among participants, according to UCSF researchers.

UC Center For AIDS Prevention Studies researchers Dr. Kyung Yee Choi and co-author Dr. Thomas J. Coates found that 26 percent of the studies reviewed assessed and demonstrated long-term behavior changes in members of HIV risk groups receiving AIDS prevention interventions. The University of California study "Prevention of AIDS Infection" appears in the October issue of AIDS, a London-based journal.

The researchers identified common elements in

The researchers identified common elements in The researchers identified common elements in the successful program and have issued a set of ten recommendations for HIV prevention program developers. Among the recommendations are accessibility to clean needles and condoms, as well as sustained and intense interventions with high HIV risk individuals.

The UCSF research was supported by grants from the National Institute of Mental Health, the

Kaiser Family Foundation, and AIDSCAP/Family

HRCF Joins Leadership Conference

The troubled Human Rights Campaign Fund has been given a seat on the 30-member executive committee of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, a organization of 185 national groups representing minorities, women, the elderly, people with disabilities, and other groups. HRCF, which was founded in 1981, has been a member of the group since 1982, but has not served on the executive comparison with several terrorities. utive committee until now.

Other member groups include the Women's Legal Defense Fund, NAACP, AFL-CIO, the National Council of Churches, the National Education Association, and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Acyclovir Preliminary Data

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According to the US Centers For Disease Control, one in five Americans over the age of 15 has genital herpes. The average person experiences four to six outbreaks per year.

Fortunately, a study presented at the 34th Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy has shown that the anti-viral medication acyclovir can reduce the release of infectious herpes virus in women with the condition, even when displaying no signs of infection.

tious herpes virus in women with the condition, even when displaying no signs of infection.

Asymptomatic shedding, a major mode of transmission of the genital herpes virus, occurs when the virus is released in genital secretions or on the skin when sores or lesions that mark an active outbreak are absent. The study, by acyclovir manufacturer Burroughs-Wellcome, was a place-becontrolled double blind redunited with the manufacturer Burrougns-wellcome, was a place-bo-controlled double-blind randomized study of 34 women, of whom 25 shed the genital herpes virus without symptoms while receiving placebo. Only five of 34 women treated with acyclovir shed during treatment.

study concluded the drug was effective in preventing asymptomatic shedding, as well as the symptomatic shedding that occurs during active herpes outbreaks. ▼

-By Dennis Conkin

Simpson

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shocked by tactics of the outspoken activists, Simpson told the crowd. But, increasingly, as physicians have come to appreciate the work of AIDS activists, "we see ourselves as part of a team" working together in the fight against AIDS, Simpson said. Simpson said.

Simpson said.

He now uses his colleague's reaction to ACT UP as a litmus test, Simpson added. "If someone speaks against ACT UP, I wonder about their commitment to the fight against AIDS."

The ACT UP/Golden Gate Treatment Issues Committee benefit began in 1992 under the direction of Zysman and Staver. Its intent is to bring together AIDS activists and the medical community. It has since expanded to include attorneys and others concerned with HIV treatment issues. Issues of importance that various ACT UP members are working on were reviewed Sunday

members are working on were reviewed Sunday evening. Sharp said these included:

• Progress on a new CMV prophylaxis therapy,

oral gancylovir, is about to be approved. It will extend quality of life for those affected;
• The Committee to Monitor Poppers is initiat-

ing city and state legislation for point of sale warnings on the danger of popper use;

The National Institute of Health (NIH) is finally realizing the ethics of saving women's lives in the saving women's lives.

in pediatric trials which previously have only considered the child;

· Alogenic sibling transfer, an immune boosting treatment for late-stage disease, is in clinical trials nationally;

• ACT UP is asking for Center for Disease Control (CDC) James Curran's resignation because of the agency's inept handling of AIDS

· Human Growth Hormone is being stalled by

Human Growth Hormone is being stalled by its maker, Serono, which has filed inadequate approval applications with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA); and
 Breast cancer action was inspired by ACT UP, which continues to fight for access and development of therapies for breast cancer through direct action.

SF Cops Consider Possible Link in Mondelli, Wenger Cases

San Francisco police detec-tives met last week to discuss the possibility of a link between the dismemberment slaying of Tommy Wenger on March 28 and the July 25 assault on actor Mario Mondelli with a camping

Dr. Dean Freeman, a 35-year-old UCSF psychiatrist at San Francisco General Hospital, was originally Hospital, was originally charged in the Mondelli incident. Freeman, whom police said was Mondelli's doctor, lover, and assailant, has since moved to Southern California, investigators said Wednesday, October 5.

Police would only say Freeman is "down south," and would not reveal his specific

whereabouts.

No new charges have appar-No new charges have apparently been brought against Freeman. Charges were dropped following the July 25 incident, and he was released. When the charges against Freeman were dropped, spokesmen in the district attorney's office said they anticipated he would be recharged when Mondelli had recovered sufficiently to make a statement.

ciently to make a statement.
Police inspectors have que

tioned the recovering Mondelli, but apparently officials have not seen fit to recharge Freeman. The Mondelli family has retained the Melvin Belli law firm to protect Mondelli's interests. Attorney John Hill of Belli's office is also investigating the possibility of a link between the Mondelli case and the Wenger case, said Glynn Parmley, an associate in the

office.
Hill said Tuesday he had "no Hill said Tuesday he had "no information concerning that possibility." He also declined to grant a B.A.R. interview with Mondelli, and said he would prefer the B.A.R. wait to take a photo of his client. He said a claim would soon be filed on Mondelli's behalf Mondelli's behalf

Mondelli was still in serious condition at SFGH this Monday, more than two months after his attack, hospital spokeswoman Alice Trinkel said. However, she told the B.A.R., he was much improved and was due to be transferred out of the intensive care unit.

Meanwhile, San Francisco homicide inspectors working on the Wenger case indicated they would go to Southern California in an effort to talk to California in an effort to talk to Freeman. Inspector Mike Johnson, in response to questions from the B.A.R., said Freeman was a "peripheral suspect" and at this time was not the primary suspect. "We're looking at this other guy," he said

Johnson said he had spoken to Mondelli, and "he knew nothing about Wenger." Johnson and Inspector Alex

Johnson and Inspector Alex Fagan, who has also been track-ing Wenger's killer, said they met for about an hour last Wednesday with Jeff Levin, who has been in charge of the Mondelli/Freeman investiga-tion, to discuss aspects of both

Police have been reluctant to divulge many details for fear of blowing the case; Fagan said "we must first get all our ducks

in order."

Earlier, in a face-to-face interview with the B.A.R., Johnson cited several unspeciunspeci-f i e d



discovered some Mario Mondelli similarities:

Both victims were gay. Mondelli is 38; Wenger was 24. Both young men have been described as "handsome."

Both victims were known to have used drugs in the past.
 Friends say both victims

were psychologically vulnera-ble and in need of professional

ble and in need of professional counseling.

• Both men sought professional psychiatric help.

• Both received numerous stab wounds to the torso. Mondelli allegedly was struck 22 times with a camping ax. Wenger had 11 stab wounds, among his many other injuries.

• Both incidents occurred on the first Monday of the full moon.

Police inspectors told the B.A.R. they fear whoever killed Wenger would strike again. Fagan expressed the view that it

"was not the first experiment" the slayer had performed. Asked if police had a specific suspect in the case now, Fagan said, "There's a guy

we're looking at."

In an interview with the B.A.R., Johnson said Wenger (Continued on page 27)

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EDITORIAL

Some of Our Worst Friends

ast week we said, as part of our support for Congressman Dan Hamburg, that some of our best friends are straight.

Dan Hamburg, that some of our best friends are straight. It's become obvious to us in the ensuing seven days that some of our worst friends are gay.

We may have had our disagreements with Senator Dianne Feinstein over the years, some of it earlier this year, but it is clear with any scrutiny at all that there is no comparison between her dynamic performance and that of her current opponent, Congressman Michael Huffington.

Which is who we were so shocked to discourt that

Which is why we were so shocked to discover that there is little difference between the two candidates in the opinion of the Human Rights Campaign Fund's Political Action Committee director. As Bob Rochr reports in this issue, HRCF's Daniel Zingale believes that whether Feinstein or Huffington wins this senate race, "it's nothing

Feinstein or Huffington wins this senate race, "it's nothing but good news."

Not that HRCF has given any money to Huffington, as far as we know. (We were told by an HRCF person that the congressman "doesn't take PAC money." We didn't ask if he had been offered any.) Zingale said that the organization compared Feinstein's "pretty solid record of aggressive leadership," against Huffington – "relatively no record" – and decided to "go with what we know works." Well, that's good, we guess, but for a person in his position to have so little grasp of the real importance of defeating Huffington is very disturbing.

HRCF is the largest gay organization in the world. It is

ing Huffington is very disturbing.

HRCF is the largest gay organization in the world. It is also, in our opinion, a group that has accomplished precious little of importance. But whenever we or its other detractors ask what its function really is, staffers there say with pride it is "in the loop" in Washington.

If it can't tell the difference between a Huffington and a Feinstein, that isn't a loop. It's a noose.

These weeks leading up the election tend to remind us of Richard Nixon's re-election in 1972. In those last six weeks before the election, as the ugliness of Watergate first became known, we kept watching the electorate and the media, waiting for some sign of outrage against those dirty tricks. Waiting for the tide to turn against a crooked election. Waiting for the nation to wake up.

It didn't happen. Nixon was, of course, re-elected and the nation was subjected to the public humiliation of his

the nation was subjected to the public humiliation of his resignation – and his vice president's, as well, but for completely unrelated sleaziness. But when the truth finally came out and the outrage resulted in Nixon's resignation, the election was not re-staged; the Republicans kept control of the White House, and just installed the idiotic

Jerry Ford to maintain their sleazy status quo.

There are those who still maintain the Democrats' nominee would have been even worse for the country and that

inee would have been even worse for the country and that even knowing Nixon was a crook they could never bring themselves to vote for McGovern for president, but nobody cast a vote for Ford for president either, and we got stuck with him eventually by default.

The reason for the history lesson is because of the sense of deja vs we feel 22 years later. This time Huffington is attempting to engineer the election, and he's rich enough to buy what the hapless Nixon had to steal, but beyond that the similarities are striking. Neither the media nor the gento buy what the napless Nixon had to stean, but beyond that the similarities are striking. Neither the media nor the general public has shown much interest in pursuing the very interesting/horrifying allegations against this disreputable-sounding candidate, so we brace ourselves for the possibility of him getting that seat.

possibility of him getting that seat.

(For more on those allegations, readers are encouraged to get their hands on November's Vanity Fair. Some of the more interesting tidbits it reveals: Huffington refuses to speak to reporters – period – as he runs for one of the more important political seats in the country, and he "is so secretive that he keeps a shredder next to his desk and once directed a staffer to shred an office copy of the Congressional Record because 'it was nobody's business' how he voted ").

It is everybody's business how our elected officials It is everybody's business how our elected officials vote, and it is certainly in the best interests of all Californians to be aware they may be voting for a man who is so out of touch he thinks burning one copy of an internationally-read publication sheilds him from scrutiny. With so many pressing problems around, and with only 100 senate jobs available, period, it is important that the people who occupy the two seats from California be the cost intellectually capable available. We deserve it and

people who occupy the two seats from California be the most intellectually capable available. We deserve it, and more than that, we need it. We need people like Feinstein who are capable of chairing important senate committees; of understanding what the issues are; and of using the senate's arcane rules and regulations to make a difference. What we don't need is Michael Huffington, or the Human Rights Campaign Fund telling us − or anyone else, for that matter − that this is "not a good-versus-evil race." What it is, in fact, is one of the more important senate races in the country. We urge them to wake up.

The same goes for anyone else who thinks a Huffington win would be good news: Feinstein may not be perfect, but her re-election is the only good news we want to hear. ▼

GUEST OPINION

Who Will Be Next? No on Prop 187!



Executive

of the

Committee

Harvey Milk Lesblan/Gay/

Democratic

Bisexual

n behalf of the members of the Harvey Milk Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual Democratic Club, we urge our com-munity to vote NO on Proposition 187, which would make it illegal for undocumented immigrants to

undocumented immigrants to receive certain basic services in California.

Prop. 187 will bar all public health care for undocumented immigrants except in emergency

immigrants except in emergency situations.

This means people will not receive preventative care including vaccinations, TB, and HIV tests. Instead, people will be forced to wait until they become seriously ill and can receive emergency medical care. Health care crest will increase. care. Health care costs will increase dramatically for emergency services

and our emergency rooms will become even more overcrowded. Prop. 187 will require all schools to verify the residency sta-tus of all children and their parents.

Teachers are required to single out anyone suspected of being undocumented and this will invari-ably lead to increased discriminaably lead to increased discrimina-tion against people of color. Even U.S.-born children will be removed from the public schools if they can-not prove both of their parents are not undocumented immigrants.

Prop. 187 will cost California's public school system billions of dellars.

dollars.

Because the reporting requirements of Prop. 187 violate federal law and a U.S. Supreme Court decision. California schools will lose sion, California schools will lose billions of dollars in federal grants. Additionally, the Department of Education estimates checking residency status will cost the school system \$104 million the first year, then \$19 million annually. Our educational system cannot afford this wasteful expenditure. wasteful expenditure.



The lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender communities are well acquainted with the type of politics of hate embodied in this initiative. It is very telling that Pete Wilson, the governor who vetoed AB 101, Needle Exchange and Domestic Partners, is Proposition 187's most

prominent supporter. Wilson chooses to generate hatred against people of color and those suspected of being undocumented rather than propose

undocumented rather than propose solutions to the real problems generated by our changing economy.

In viewing Prop. 187, we must also remember that our community overlaps all other communities.

Many of today's newcomers are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender people who face torture, imprisonment and death in their home countries due to their sexual orientation or HIV status. Other newcomers are or HIV status. Other newcomers are in committed same-sex relationships with American citizens. Prop. 187 will have a very real impact on members of our community.

When our community was faced with the homophobic 1978 Briggs with the nomopholic 1976 Briggs and 1986 La Rouche initiatives we asked others for support. Other communities responded and helped us defeat these measures. Now we must be an active part of the movement to defeat Prop. 187. If Prop. 187 passes, it will fuel the confidence of zealots to adopt new mea-sures and we could find ourselves on the next hit list. Rather than leton the next hit list. Rather than letting a thinly disguised right-wing agenda divide and conquer us, let us unite and send a message to Wilson and the Radical Right.

Vote No on Proposition 187! Get involved in the campaign against it. Call 543-9444.

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LETTERS

Stubbie Liberation

Thanks for your reporting on the safe sex campaign. Most men don't realize that there's some risk to the man doing the sucking in unprotected oral sex, especially in light of the fact that 50 percent of gay men in SF are

light of the fact that 50 percent of gay men in SF are HIV-positive.

HIV-negative men risk seroconverting; but positive men are also at risk of contracting a different strain of the virus; then too there are the risks associated with venereal diseases, hepatitis, chronic fatigue, etc.

What's maddening is that there are wonderful condoms designed just for sucking called "stubbies" that are made to stay on the tip of the dick so that lips may engage its shaft. What's outrageous is that the FDA has banned them from sale in this country—not because they don't work, but because they're afraid people will get confused and use them for fucking (where they don't work.)

work.)
Fifteen years into this epidemic, gay men's lives are still being sacrificed by the FDA on the altar of heterosexual stupidity. There should be protests in the street, but then again there are so many other aspects of AIDS that have been mishandled by the government as well.

Ned Cummings

San Francisco

San Francisco

The Bible: My Friend - and Yours!

Your recent article "Fundies Buy Gay Lists" is based on the misconception that the Bible condemns gays and lesbians. I am the founder and moderator of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, the largest organization touching gays and lesbians in the world. MCC members in nearly 300 churches in 16 countries have found Biblical affirmation for their lesbian and gay relationships. I believe that the Bible is my friend – no matter what anybody else tells me.

me.

The article concerns a mailing by the American Bible Society, which rented a Strubco mailing list in an effort to bring the Biblical message of hope and comfort to gays and lesbians. I support the effort of mainstream Christian organizations such as the American Bible Society to reach out lovingly to gays and lesbians. We deserve to receive the good news that God loves lesbians and gays.

Pour Tray Power.

Rev. Troy Perry Founder and Moderator Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches

Mailing Lists and ACT UP

There must surely be a shortage of good news or more likely good reporters. Kent Brandley (your reporter) has taken unproven accusations and outright lies from a single out-of-town individual and whipped up a classic piece of crap entitled, "Fundies Buy Gay Lists."

So here's what really happened, Kent. Some nut gets ahold of Ed Zold's home phone number, which was supposed to be for press calls to ACT UP Golden Gate, and proceeds to threaten and harass that ACT UP Golden Gate sold his address to some bible company. This jerk, Liebrock, could not be reasoned with and was beginning to frighten Ed a bit. to frighten Ed a bit.

to frighten Ed a bit.

Next, this guy calls the B.A.R. and convinces the staff that his story is true and ACT UP Golden Gate (one of the most left wing organizations in the U.S.) was selling off their own contributors to the radical right wing fundies. (Seems a bit odd, though if you play ACT UP Golden Gate's phone message backwards, you can clearly hear Falwell's voice saying, "Homos will all burn in hell!") So ACT UP Golden Gate was so desperate for money that we sold our souls to the devil. Only there was one terrible flaw in this hot breaking story;

ACT UP GOLDEN GATE DOES NOT HAVE A MAILING LIST!

MAILING LIST!

ACT UP GOLDEN GATE DOES NOT HAVE A MAILING LIST!

OOPS! Well, run the story anyhow, and at the end just say that the whole story was not true. Keep the flashy headline, use ACT UP's name in the first paragraph, put in a nice picture of a cute capitalist who sells names to anybody with cash, and legitimize a crank caller. Dow we godda story! Duhha!

Girls, please! What if this guy was in fact a right wing operative, or a Duesberg fanatic believer? Could it really be this easy to infiltrate the gay community and disrupt a group's credibility? Did you actually believe this nut? Or are you just tired of those know-it-all queens at ACT UP Golden Gate correcting the misinformation that your AIDS writers drivel out? And by the way, how dare you allow a personal insult against an AIDS here, Ed Zold, who has championed the cause for infected youth on a national level? A handsome young man (if you needed beefcake, you should have photographed Ed in his grungewear), Ed has been an unpaid activist with HIV who selflessly gives and gives for the cause.

In the last couple of years ACT UP Golden Gate has worked nonstop to get PWAs access to life-saving drugs. With little or no help from the B.A.R. (why?), using all unpaid staff, running on a shoestring, not taking money from evil drug companies, we have managed, with pure unpaid anger and activism to actually help save lives. We are not ACT UP SF, nor do we sell DNCB. Get off our dress!

Jeff Getty ACT UP Golden Gate

[The editor responds: We support ACT UP's work and would cover it more often if you weren't, by your own admission, so bad about contacting any media except with complaints. As we reported, the American Bible Society did get the addresses of gay men somewhere; also as we reported, it was not from ACT UP. We're sorry if you're angry, but do not apologize that you had to read the whole story to get the whole story.]

Aliens and Health Costs

I'd like to challenge some of the statements made in a recent B.A.R. article (9/29/94), "Prop. 187 Foes Say It's Bad for People With AIDS." Equating the circumstances of PWAs with that of illegal aliens is preposterous. In fact, the immense financial burden California's 2 million illegal aliens places on the state's taxpayers—\$700 million in health care costs and \$2.6 billion in total—probably robs PWAs of the precious social and medical resources necessary to improve their health and well-being!

It is a myth that passage of Prop. 187, which will be on this November's ballot, will result in an increase in rates of serious contagious disease, such as tuberculosis. Statistics show that the increase in tuberculosis in recent years is directly tied to both legal and illegal immigration. This is, for example, why a new tuberculosis treatment clinic was recently established in the Mission district, which contains a substantial proportion of immi-

ment clinic was recently established in the Mission dastrict, which contains a substantial proportion of immigrants. The situation is even worse in Los Angeles County, California's leading third world metropolis. In a ruling made in August, the California Ist District Court of Appeals upheld, 3-0, a 1992 state law which requires all Medi-Cal applicants to disclose their social security number – which immigrants lack – or to state that they had no satisfactory immigration status. Approximately 317,500 illegals received Medi-Cal in our state last year. Proposition 187 would not deprive illegals of emergency or pregnancy related care, but it would required public health agencies to report illegal aliens who apply for routine health care to the INS. The law would not affect private health care, nor would it deprive illegal aliens of the option to take a confidential HIV or tuberculosis test at a doctor's office or private health care facility.

Concerning legal immigration of HIV-infected indi-

health care facility.

Concerning legal immigration of HIV-infected individuals to the U.S. hoping to take advantage of our health care system, I personally support a "blind" entry policy— provided that these individuals can prove that they qualify for medical insurance coverage in their country of origin. Proposition 187, which is merely a state initiative, does not address this issue.

It's time to get town on illegal aliens, and support

state initiative, does not address this issue.

It's time to get tough on illegal aliens and support
Prop. 187. The cost of providing public services for
these individuals is prohibitive, as our state budget is
already running a staggering deficit. There is no labor
shortage in California, as many unemployed citizens who want to work can attest.

Dan Medynski San Francisco

Distractions

I find myself in total agreement with the recent letter you published complaining about the abundance of nudity in your otherwise fine publication. Do you have any idea how difficult it is to follow a news story or an entertainment review when just a column away there's an impossibly gorgeous stud standing there wearing nothing but a pair of translucent Calvin's, one hand toying with his nipples and his other reaching for his throbbing ... uh ... uh ... well, you get the idea. How many times have I left one of your excellent articles unfinished, only to spend the next several hours feasting my eyes upon some young hunk's beautiful ass, so perfectly round, so beautifully tanned, so ... so ...

I can't remember just what I was talking about ... I think I'd like to go lie down for awhile ...

Kevin Sessions

Kevin Sessions San Francisco

Get Over It And Vote

Get Over It And Vote

It seems as though many, many people in our "community" have forgotten the Republican National Convention a couple of years ago. Anyone else remember that? Does it seem at all scary that some of our "community" vote with a vengeance that would make Baby Jane Hudson look like Mother Theresa? To me, a proportionately high number of gay & lesbian voters vote to spite whom they consider to be "traitors" (they truly believe that Clinton really enjoyed that public episode of B&D with that pig-f*oker from Georgia, Sam Nunn and his crotch-scratchin' peers in the Congress) and those with whom they seem to have personality conflicts ("she's such a bitch, snot, loser, etc."). All the while, these machines of hate-mongering, bigotry, and christian hypocrisy are raking in the votes of misguided addle-brains who live in fear of everything from the child-molesting, disease-bearing, agenda-toting homos to the black rapist, crack-smoking inner city-dwellers to the yellow peril, to the invading hordes from Mexico. The sheep will follow the shepherd with the biggest stick and the meanest dog. What I'm saying is, be bitchy at your tea-dances, take up your personality conflicts with your personal therapist and not with your ballot. Anyone remember the phrase "fighting for our lives"? Well, this is how your competition votes. As if their world will be taken from their hands if they don't. Unless we vote like them, as if it makes a difference to our lovers, families, friends and neighbors, we will have no way out of this quagmire their fear has created. You look into Wilson's and Huffington's eyes, not at their ads. You remember who they represent. You hear with your own ears the hatred, vitriol, and ignorance their holy men spit out at their fearful parishioners. Then you kake that feeling you get in your gut, and you read your ballot, and you vote. Be bitchy and venal, and throw the hissy fit of your life after you vote. Not with your ballot in your hand.

Steven Michel San Francisco

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LETTERS

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NGLTF Responds

As co-chairs of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and as residents of the Bay Area, we feel com-pelled to clarify misperceptions about the status of NGLTF.

NGLTF.

As has been reported, Peri Jude Radecic is moving over from executive director to director of public policy. In the interim, we have contracted with Melinda Paras to step in as interim deputy director to oversee day-to-day operations. Her skills in organizational management have produced a dramatically positive effect on the efficiency with which this office gets work done. Melinda also brings an ability to analyze and reshape the Task Force's multicultural environment – an area that we contend needs under

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We understand that Melinda is controversial to some people. The Board Executive Committee investigated allegations and were comfortable she had been exonerated and that hiring her for this interim position was the right choice. We believe that anyone who has contributed to our movement significantly has made some people mad along the way.

It is important to note that Melinda has not existed only in San Francisco. Nationally, she is highly regarded for her work on health issues including AIDS, CFIDS, and women's illnesses; her work with communities of color; and her expert management skills. Melinda is only one of an eight-member team comprised of board members, volunteers, and consultants from around the country helping us through this transition period.

we are taking other streamlining actions to augment the financial strength of the organization. The board recently approved reducing the budget to \$2.6 million to end the 1994 fiscal year. The \$4.3 million growth budget approved by the board in September 1993 was reduced in January 1994, the beginning of our financial year, to \$3.4 million and again in May to \$3.1 million. All reductions were made after it became apparent that this was not the right time to aggressively increase financial obligations. The organization never grew to a \$4.3 million organization which was then cut. That growth was only reflected, rather optimistically, on paper. We will close the year with revenue and spending about equal to 1993. We have not radically shrunk the budget by 40 percent.

1993. We have not radically shrunk the budget by 40 percent.

Our program staff now includes many seasoned veterans of the gay and lesbian civil rights movement. Staff reductions, other than two layoffs in the early summer when our program staff was reorganized, have been by attrition rather than organizational downsizing. Budget reductions do not reflect a loss of staff or program. No one's departure in recent weeks was instigated by a need to reduce the salary line item of our budget. And no program has been eliminated in 1994.

All of the areas in which the Task Force has performed vital work are still being covered. In the next few weeks, NGLTF will produce "Working It Out In the Rockies," our 1994 Workplace Conference in Denver, Colorado, and the Seventh Annual Creating Change Conference in Dallas, Texas. Our Fight the Right Project continues.

continues. Vacant staff positions will be filled after our new executive director is named; however, some positions may change due to a general reorganization of the way we deliver services to our constituency.

As we go through this critical analysis and reorganization, we will continue to analyze the political environment and will be organizationally responsive. We believe NGLTF will emerge stronger and more prepared to build our movement from the grass roots. Our 21-year vision and history is only the beginning of what this organization has yet to accomplish. We do not believe that our board is being oblivious, in denial, or offering up only "spin control." On the contrary, we are moving as fast as we can to deliver new plans while being cautious to implement only the plans that will work for the long haul. We are in transition because our movement is in transition. And we need your support as we move forsition. And we need your support as we move for-

Deborah Johnson-Rolon Christopher J. Collins Co-chairs, Board of Directors, NGLTF

Citizen Action

My lover and I travel Texas every week. We get your newspaper at "Crossroads Market" in Dallas or Houston.
I was really happy to see your position for writing our congresspersons ["Fight the Right with Their Own Damn Dime," September 15]. I ran across the 800 number for the capitol switchboard on GAYNET computer network and forwarded it. I'm sure you got it from other sources, and I thank you for the additional information about Rev. Lou Sheldon.
I got the same kick, bitching non-stop to my senators. I average about an hour a day. I sent a letter to all 100 senators during their vacation. I'm getting replies every day.

Jay Oliver Waco, TX

Where To Get Leied?

The Outrigger Hotel's attitude toward the gay clientele ["Homophobic Honolulu Hotel To Be Sued by Gay Man," B.A.R. September 22] must be okay. The allowed a glory hole in the ground floor men's room for several years. Another meaning of "Aloha spirit."

Willard Newton Orinda, CA

Covering the Castro

I attended the Castro Street Fair on Sunday, October 2. It was a well-organized, peaceful, fun-filled event. In an apparent attempt to prevent a recurrence of public nudity displayed both at the Gay Pride Parade and the Polsom Street Fair, there were police units everywhere both on foot and in patrol cars. Never have I seen them out in such force. Meanwhile, there was a tourist mugging at Fisherman's Wharf, two shootings in the Mission, a stabbing in Potrero Hill, two armed robberies in the Tenderloin, three home break-ins in the Western Addition and a carjacking in Chinatown. But thanks to the undaunted efforts of our boys in blue, not a single penis was exposed in the Castro.

Jim Barnes San Francisco

Nude, Not Lewd

Three friends and I, having enjoyed the tolerance that characterized past Folsom Street Fairs, were walking nude at the fair when a police officer came up and demanded, in an arrogant manner, that we cover up or be cited. When I asked her the legal basis for her action, she called her superior, who referred to California Police Code Section 314, the indecent exposure statute. The State Supreme Court has made it very clear that Section 314 refers only to exposure with lewd intent, not to nudity per se (Smith, In re (1972)). The court has also allowed local jurisdictions to pass anti-nudity ordinances because the state law does not prohibit nudity as such, only exposure with sexual intent (Eckl. vs. Davis (1975)). (For this reason, Andrew Martinez, the "Maked Guy," and other activists were able to go nude in

(1975)). (For this reason, Andrew Martinez, the Nakeu Guy," and other activists were able to go nude in Berkeley last year because the city did not then have a prohibiting ordinance.)

San Francisco's anti-nudity ordinance applies only to parks, so the police cannot use it to prohibit nudity at events like the Folsom Fair. They have therefore fallen back on the state law, but, as indicated, without any justification.

back of the state law, but, as indicated, which any justification.

We had copies of the court decisions relevant to Section 314 with us at the fair, but the officer who threatened us was not interested in seeing them.

Naively expecting the police to observe the laws and the decisions of the courts, and aware of the courteous behavior of the police at past Folsom Fairs, I was not prepared for the treatment we received from this officer. Ten years of a laissex-faire attitude by the police have helped make the Folsom Street Fair the third-largest public event in California, after the Rose Bowl Parade and the San Francisco Gay Parade. Police-state tactics such as were evident this year, however, have a chilling effect upon the celebration, and could result in a decline in attendance and a financial loss both to the AIDS and other organizations benefiting from the fair, and to hotels and other local businesses.

Dangerous Drug

This just in: coffee bars turn guys straight. You have been warned!

Anthony Richter San Francisco

Helpful Hints

We have now arrived at that time of year that is very important to us, the time when persons who are deeply concerned about truth, freedom, human rights, life and happiness can pursue and promote those goals. This is the time to vote, to cast our very important votes and to make sure our friends, neighbors, associates, and all likewise are casting their votes.

The following are a few reminders for each of you to

follow:

1. The wonderful Harvey Milk L.G.B. Demo. Club and the Alice B. Toklas L.G. Demo. Club have unified to endorse a wonderful voting slate to take with you to the voting booth for our lavender sweep. These "slates" will be given out by members of the two clubs. If you are not a member of one or both of these clubs, join today!

2. Help register new voters.

Help register new voters.
 Give financial assistance for our candidates. For those of you who drink or smoke or do both, pass some of your "sin" money on, and improve your health, and feel good mentally. Please help to get the following

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> Donald L. Bartlett San Francisco

The Case for Kathleen Brown

California Republican Governor Pete Wilson supposedly holds a safe some say between seven lead – some say between seven and nine percent – over Democratic challenger Kathleen Brown. Wilson has apparently raised \$5 million more than Brown in campaign funds, and some political "analysts" say this one is over. Another four years of Pete

Commentary

Wilson? Californians in general and the gay and lesbian commu-nity in particular had better hope

not.

The good news: there are still the general four weeks before the general election, and I think Kathleen Brown can pull this one out. While it's easy to make a case against Pete Wilson – both

case against Pete Wilson – both the needle exchange program that would have helped slow down the spread of the HIV virus earned his vet, as did domestic partner legislation, and among the over 100 judges he has appointed he has yet to find one qualified gay or lesbian attorney (although he has made some token low-level gay appointments to mundane appointments to mundane departments like the DMV) -it's better to make a case for Brown than just slam our current anti-gay, immigrant bashing governor who has lost nearly a million jobs in this state during his tenure.

During a recent conversation with Brown, I was very impressed that she is very much her own person with some damned good ideas that would make her a fine governor; no, she is not Jerry Brown, the rebel; nor is she Pat Brown, the builder. Kathleen is committed to rebuilding the economy in California, attacking the bur-geoning crime problem, improvgeoning crime problem, improving schools, stopping illegal
immigration, providing the state
with better hospitals, fighting
AIDs, and giving Californians a
voice in how this state is run.
When, incidentally, was the
last time you heard Pete Wilson
speak about AIDS? He ignores it
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- too much chance of losing the support of bigots like Lou Sheldon (he votes here, too, you know) and his thousands of anti-gay followers. In contrast, Kathleen Brown celebrated her 49th birthday last Sunday by taking part in the AIDS Walk in Hollywood.

Why does Pete Wilson time and time again veto anything that even comes close to gay rights legislation? Well, he has to keep the right-wing voters of Orange County in his camp. While most of you may have already decided who you're going to vote for, let me make what I think is "the case for Kathleen Brown": She will be a friend to our community. Wilson isn't and never will be

isn't and never will be.

This campaign is still Brown's to win, despite the millions of dollars the national Republican Party is pumping into the state. When New Jersey held its off-year gubernatorial election last year, Christine Whitman, the challenger, was 12 percentage points behind the incumbent governor one week before the election. She won the race by six percentage points.



Kathleen Brown

I urge you to join me in vot-ing for Kathleen Brown, and please, convince just one of your friends to get out the vote on November 8, election day. We could all wake up November 9 feeling much better about our-

Politics and people
The latest L.A. Times poll (taken at the end of September) shows Tony Miller maintaining a slim lead over his conservative GOP opponent. We can make history by electing the first openly gay candidate in a statewide race, but Miller needs our help. Send a check now (no matter how large or small) to our help. Send a check now (no matter how large or small) to Miller for Secretary of State, 1010 11th St., No. 300, Sacramento, CA 95814. Incidentally, Lou Sheldon was telling reporters last week that his supporters "haven't forgotten" the Miller for Secretary of State race, a clear indication that State race, a clear indication that voters can be expecting some homophobic campaign material attacking Miller before the November election.

Maryland Governor Schaefer recently signed a bill that is

ended to curb the spread of AIDS by giving clean needles to confirmed drug addicts, even though he said he personally didn't like the bill but found it "a practical compression as him to be a practical compression as him to be a practical compression."

didn't like the bill but found it "a practical approach to a big problem." (Will someone please send this item to Pete Wilson?)

Mind-boggling: the final combined total for the Feinstein-Huffington and Brown-Wilson races will likely reach \$125 million.

Although there is currently only one black Republican in the House of Representatives, 25 of this year's GOP nominees for Congress are African-American American.

Two good friends with long records of gay rights activism, Kevin Wadsworth and his lover, Paul Johnson, were recently kicked out of their elected posirions on the El Dorado (Placerville) County GOP Committee. Tell me homophobia is not alive and well in California! (Sue the bastards,

California! (Sue the bastards, Kevin!)

The polls might have him far behind, but Democrat Tom Umberg easily had it all over GOP Attorney General Dan Lungren on their KRON-TV debate Sunday. Lungren is another homophobe that voters should dump next month.

another homophobe that voters should dump next month.

Does Pat Buchanan know about this? Within the past two weeks, former Vice President Dan Quayle has suggested to fellow Republicans that perhaps the party should "lighten up a bit". the party should "lighten up a bit" about homosexuality; Maureen Reagan and her hus-band Dennis Revell disclosed bahd Definits Acvert user/sectors they recently adopted an African baby; and Nancy Reagan herself revealed that she supports a woman's right to choose. Damn, the Republicans really do want

the kepublicans really do want to win this year, don't they?
Hey, Governor Wilson! If you're doing such a great job, how come the Census Bureau last week released statistics showing California as fifth in all the 50 states of people living in poverty. That's right, Pete, right un there with the stellar likes of up there with the stellar likes of Alabama and Arkansas.

Forty-niner star Steve Young and a host of other players will appear at a fundraiser/dinner for Senator Dianne Feinstein Friday, October 21, at the Fairmont

day, October 21, at the Fairmont (cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., 441-7156 for info).

Quote of the Week from the inimitable Barbra "Evergreen" Streisand, in the current Vanity Fair, on the hits Clinton's taken from the media: "I think they're jealous – jealous of a president who is very young, very smart. who is very young, very smart, very nice, with a full head of hair." ▼

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Support at Sentencing

Paula Oldham (center), a mother who took her daughter and fled the country after the child, now four, was allegedly sexually assaulted, is seen here with Women's Action Coalition members flanking her at her sentencing hearing in Marin Superior Court. The hearing was later postponed until Jan. 5.

DYKEOTOMY

A Fresh Perspective

by Elissa Perry

For the last several weeks, I have been wanting to see the film *Fresh* during its run at the Lumiere, but somehow, when-ever I was in the mood, I didn't have \$7. Well, it has moved to the AMC Serramonte 6, which does require a car, motorcycle or a complicated bus ride but only costs \$1.75! Needless to only costs \$1.75! Needless to say, I finally went. Two people for \$3.50 any day at any time. Can you believe it?! (Maybe you all knew this already, but no one let me in on the secret.)

The movie, written and directed by Boaz Yakin, is about an intelligent, streetsmart boy whose after-school job is running drugs for the neighborhood dealers. Fresh has been described as "lighthearted," "low-key," and with other mellow, non-threatening phrases and words. This makes me wonder if the people who had these laid-back sentiments about the film actually went to the same flick I did because we were definitely not on the same page. The movie, written and

lives with his aunt, who Fresh's sister, Nicki, describes as a saint. Their aunt takes care of 12 children in her apartment in the projects. The other children have a strained relationship with Fresh because they are afraid that his involvement with the drug establishment is going to get them sent back to a group home or shot.

This factor in the story is

one of many that is both a depressing reality as well as hopefully a reminder to those for whom these considerations are not a daily reality of the

meed for change.

Most of the buildings comprising the *Fresh* environs are burned out, abandoned or in some way dilapidated. It seems as if many of the structures themselves are dying or dead.

The language in the film is very alive, if not always very positive. The terms "woman" and "girl" also seem to be dead. I don't remember hearing them, or even "lady," once in the movie. Oh yes, there were "bitches" – from young preado-lescent girls to adult women. There were good bitches, fine bitches, nice bitches, ugly bitches, toofless (toothless)

bitches, all kinds of bitches - and no matter what - always

Lone protester

The women refer to the men as mutherfuckas, and the boys and men refer to each other as niggahs. The only protester of this form of address is Fresh's father, who Fresh is not supposed to see but does anyway.

Fresh meets with his alco-Fresh meets with his acco-holic father in the park or in his father's trailer to play chess. He is an accomplished chess play-er, whose forte is speed chess. He can beat anyone, he believes, at speed chess. "I could have beat [Bobby Fischer]," he tells Fresh. "Just One gets the impression, though, that the whole scheme, the whole tale, was a plan to get himself out of the projects, his strung-out sister out of the drug scene, and both of them a new life in a new location. Fresh doesn't keep the money that he doesn't keep the money that he earned from this after-school job and shows no emotion about anything until the very end when his work is done and he cries when he plays chess with his father.

Fresh had plenty to emote

about throughout the story, though. The girl he has a crush on gets shot and killed by a stray bullet from the gun of one of his colleagues, who later gets beaten to death with a chain by a drug dealer while Fresh watches. This colleague was watches. This colleague was busy shooting and killing a young boy who had beat him in basketball in front of the young people in the neighborhood when he accidentally shot the girl. Chuckie, one of Fresh's buddies who spends his time waiting to "bust his dope moves," is also shot and killed by the same colleague when he tries to be tough and – against by the same colleague when he tries to be tough and – against all of Fresh's advice – pulls a gun when they get jumped. Fresh also listens as Nicki, his strung-out sister, is referred to by her smack-dealing boyfriends as a bitch, and then boylinends as a bitch, and then he walks in on her high and in bed with Esteban. As if that weren't enough, he also has to shoot his pit bull because Chuckie trained it to kill.

Chuckie trained it to kill.

Fresh offers a matter-of-fact slice of life without the highly dramatized and stylized components of other movies about similar subjects. Some of the scenes almost seem like a documentary. With its grayish tones the film seems to say, "This is it. This was my life. This is how I'm changing my life." instead it. This was my life. This is now I'm changing my life," instead of shouting with loud music and colors and big budgets about the 'hood and how fucked up it is.

The whole movie is charged emotionally, politically and in every other way, but Fresh keeps his reactions low-key. He keeps his reactions low-key. He knows that to complete his plan, he must keep his head. On the surface possibly this is why people thought the movie was light. But they didn't look very hard at the film. Anyone who considers this "light" did not get the point.

Commentary

put the clock on his ass, and he'll break down like the rest of

The chess games become a metaphor for what's going on in Fresh's life, which his father seems to know nothing about. He tells Fresh his philosophies about life through the games and demands that Fresh leave his street attitude somewhere else when he's playing chess.
This is somewhat ironic because when Fresh is runnin' the streets, his attitude seems nonexistent compared to that of his buddies, employers, col-leagues and constituents.

Although, to me, these aspects of the film were enough aspects of the film were enough to make it something other than "low-key," there's still the story to consider. (This is where you should stop reading if you don't want to know the whole plot.) By film's close Fresh has turned all the drug dealers on each other, getting the ones killed that he really didn't like and getting Esteban, his main employer and his older sister's employer and his older sister's main boyfriend, arrested. For turning in Esteban, Fresh makes a deal with the cops to have him and his sister relocated together just before he's to be sent back to a group home.

A man with a plan

Complete trust has been established between the dealers and Fresh to the point that he is the only one they believe – and he is the one lying to them. The police also believe his story.

Out for Fun

by Kent Brandley

ow, let's get one thing straight: it's hard to define what a gay bar is anymore.

Some bars – for example, Hamburger Mary's, one of our longtime favorites – have

our longtime favorites — have become so trendy, stylish, and yuppiefied that they hardly qualify as what we used to know as "a gay bar."

From San Jose north to Guerneville — including the East Bay—there are at least 130 bars that claim to be gay bars. In the old days a bar might not want to admit it was gay. Now it's the other way around. They lose business if they admit they're straight.

they're straight.

The old joke has it that a tourist asks a San Francisco resident if he can direct him to a gay bar in the city.

"Just look for any one that is crowded," the answer goes. If it's not crowded in San Francisco, it must be a straight

Actually, the number of gay bars in San Francisco has dwinbars in San Francisco has dwindled substantially in the past 20 years, according to Rodney McDonald, new president of the Tavern Guild of San Francisco, Inc.
While the Castro has pretty much quieted down from what it was 20 years ago, McDonald says many of the higger dance.

says many of the bigger dance clubs are now in the South of Market area (SoMa). The 1015 Club on Folsom and the DV8 on Natoma are among the hot

on Natoma are among the not new clubs catering to a younger twentyish clientele. The Endup at 995 Harrison (and Sixth) becomes different things to different people on different nights and is usually iammed to a point where the jammed to a point where the walls reverberate.

McDonald ranks The Cafe above the Gauntlet at Market and Castro for women and The San Francisco Eagle, 398 Twelfth (at Harrison), for men as probably the biggest bars in the city from the standpoint of weekend popularity and atten-

"Newest member to step up to the plate," McDonald says, is the Ranch Oasis at 278 Eleventh Street. That popular spot went from straight hip hop to gay country western with amazing success.

McDonald himself is the

at Seventh and Market, which he says is a "mixed" old Tenderloin-type bar "where it really doesn't matter what your sexual preferences are."

McDonald says the Tavern

Guild currently has 27 members, and 25 of these are classed

One of the newer bars on the scene is the Motorwerks at Valencia and Market, where the old Lily's was.

ow much is a bottle of beer in a bar? Specifically, a queer bar?

It depends on the quality, the timing, and of course the spe-

A random look at beer prices in a few of the more popular pubs in the city frequented by



"Ruby" in 1974 at Cissy's Saloon, the original Hamburger Mary's before it became yuppified.

gay men, lesbians, and the undecided types among us indicate that anything under \$1 is a real cool bargain.

Maybe the best deal on draft beer in San Francisco is at **The Edge** at 4149 18th Street on Sunday afternoons. You can get a draft there and then for only

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Another good deal can found at the **Detour** at 2348 Market Street, where happy hour offers draft beer for 75 cents from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. everyday.

everyday.

A popular Polk Street spot such as the **Giraffe Video** Lounge holds to a consistent price schedule with domestic beer \$2.40 and imports \$3.10. **Ginger's Too** at 43 Sixth and **Ginger's Troo** at 43 Sixth and **Ginger's Troo** at 42 Searny are owned by **Don Rogers**, said to be a cousin (twice removed) of famous dancer **Ginger Rogers**. Asked (twice removed) of famous dancer Ginger Rogers. Asked if he operated a gay bar, Rogers said, "It's a little bit of everysait, it's a little bit of every-thing. Everybody's welcome as long as they've got money." Prices there don't vary. Domestic beer is \$1.75 a bottle anytime you can dance in and find a seat. Don't wear a tutu on Sixth Street

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south of Market at 399 Ninth, offers \$1.25 domestic beer all night long during the week, with draft only 75 cents.

Ranch Oasis has a \$5 beer bust on Sunday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. but normally, beer in a bottle is \$2.75 there, says honcho Kirk Harris.

Bob Bowling at the Eagle says Tuesday nights there are the best beer bargain, with domestic beer only \$1 a bottle

domestic beer only \$1 a bottle from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.
You got a better deal? You know of an old fashioned free lunch with a bottle of beer? Let's hear from you on anything that might make people turn Out for Fun.

l Jenkins, owner of Starlight Moving and Storage, has taken command of the Galleon on a lease purchase arrangement with owner Sherman Lum. The deal took effect August 27. The popular supper club at 718 14th Street has been sailing along for more than 30 years: it was the original 718 Club. Jenkins, a jovial man of large stature – who has been in the city 25 years himself – will now manage the operation. American fare such as pot roast will continue as well as a full bar, Jenkins told the B.A.R. The Galleon will offer a Friday night cabaret from 10:45 p.m. to closing and Saturday night jazz. People dressed in leather will get a two-for-one deal on dinner each Wednesday night. Those in full leather will get priority in seating and reservations, Jenkins said. The Wednesday night leather event will be hosted by leather event will be hosted by nal 718 Club. Jenkins, a jovial leather event will be hosted by Emperor 20, Doug Doug Stromberg. ▼

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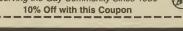
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History Lessons on NBC

by Al Kielwasser

The October 4 broadcast of the NBC news program Dateline featured a gay high school teacher whose career is on the line. After he showed his class a film about the holocaust, Mehiville High School teacher Rodney Wilson displayed a poster of the various patches worn by those incarcerated in the Nazi concentration camps. The poster included the pink triangle and Wilson told his class, "As a gay man, I would have been forced to wear the pink triangle." After a period of silence, his students literally applauded Wilson's decision to come out in the classroom.

According to the Dateline report, however, school officials have been less enlightened than Wilson's students. Ronald Jones, the principal of Mehlville High School, described Wilson's statement as "inappropriate conduct." Bob Rodgers, the Superintendent of Schools, agreed and suggested that references to homosexuality have no place in the curriculum.

The Dateline report provided Rodney Wilson with a fair forum to rebut such homophobic assertions. Wilson noted that the 800-page history book he used contained no mention of lesbian or gay people and that he was only trying to "stop the silence."

"I simply stated a historical fact," Wilson said, "that gays were persecuted by the Nazis. I stated another fact, that I am gay. And I put those two facts together."

Wilson added, "If it causes one kid to stop believing that gay

persecuted by the Nazis. I stated another fact, that I am gay. And I put those two facts together."

Wilson added, "If it causes one kid to stop believing that gay people are monsters, then that's a good thing."

The Dateline report also noted that, despite four years of "glowing" evaluations, Wilson's job is now in jeopardy. He is up for tenure this spring.

Comments can be sent to Dateline, NBC News, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York NY 10021; Rodney Wilson (courageous teacher) and Ronald Jones (homophobic principal), Mehlville High School, 3200 Lemay Ferry Road, St. Louis, MO 63125, tel. 314-892-5000; Bob Rodgers, Schools Superintendent, 3120 Lemay Ferry Road, St. Louis, MO 63125.

Donahue's Balancing Act

Recently, Esther Newton – the lesbian author of Mother Camp, a book about drag – was asked to be a guest on an episode of Phil Donahue's popular TV talk show (scheduled for an October 11 broadcast date). Other guests included a well-known drag queen and the stars of the movie The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert. Hours before the taping, Newton was informed that Paul Cameron – a quack psychologist and arch-homophobe – would also be amongst the panel of guests. Cameron's appearance would provide "balance," Donahue's producer's argued.

Before the show was taped, the producers had been provided with ample documentation demonstrating that Cameron conducted fraudulent "research" on homosexuality and had no credibility as an expert on human sexuality. Nonetheless, they insisted on keeping Cameron in the line-up. Adrienne Wheeler – the Donahue producer who booked Cameron – assured Esther Newton that "Phil would handle Cameron" and expose the pseudo-psychologist's disreputable career in hate-mongering.

According to Esther Newton, the talk show host did not "handle" Cameron at all. Instead, Phil's guests were left to fend for themselves. Once again, lesbian/gay/transgendered guests were forced into a debate with a homophobic lunatic, a move that tooften precludes any focused discussion of the issues that are (purportedly) at hand.

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Would the producers of *Donahue* require Spike Lee to sit on stage with a member of the KKK, in order to "balance" a discussion of the director's film work? Could they insist that an interview with the cast of *Schindler's List* would be "unfair" unless a neo-Nazi was invited to participate? Journalists routinely include homophobic bigots in the coverage of any lesbian or gay subject. As Larry Gross of the University of Pennsylvania points out, this insidious media bias promotes "a dueling experts circus routine that legitimates homophobes as morally equal to gays."

Direct your comments to Patricia McMillan, Executive Producer, The Phil Donahue Show, NBC, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York NY 10112, tel. 212-664-6501, fax 212-757-5386.

On a Personal Note ...

It seems that the San Diego Union-Tribune adheres to a heterosexist double-standard when it comes to printing "personals." According to journalist Rex Wockner, the newspaper bans the use of the words "gay" and "lesbian" in the personal ads that are published each Thursday and Sunday. Oddly, it's okay for ad copy to read "man seeks other man for fun," but not "gay man seeks other

read "man seeks other man for fun," but not "gay man seeks other gay man for fun."

Additionally, heterosexual personal ads are printed under the headings "Men Seeking Women" or "Women Seeking Men."
However, lesbian and gay personals are all restricted to the category "Seeking Just a Friend." The newspaper's Classifieds Director, Erin Coates, explained: "We feel those ads that are classified under 'Seeking Just A Friend' allow people to kind of read between the lines." When questioned abut the ban on the words "lesbian" and "gay" in these personal ads, Coates again replied, "They're thinly veiled. Readers can read between the lines."

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Suggesting that "readers can read between the lines." Suggesting that "readers can read between the lines" for lesbian and gay content is a poor excuse for homophobic censorship. Share your outrage with Doug Hope, Managing Editor, and Erin Coates, Classifieds Director, San Diego Union-Tribune, P.O. Box 191, San Diego, CA 92112, tel. 619-299-3131. ▼

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Is There a Lesbian Link to the O.J. Case?

by Karen Ocamb

Lesbians and gays around the world have been as trans-fixed as their heterosexual counterparts by the mystery surrounding the murders of football star O.J. Simpson's ex-wife Nicole and model/waiter wife Nicole and model/waiter Ron Goldman last June 12 in Brentwood, California. And gay journalists, anxious to cover the story, have privately fretted at not having a "gay angle" to what promises to be the "trial of the century" as the best legal minds in the country try to cre-ate doubt that O.J. murdered the two, and prosecutors try to prove that he did. Simpson has

pleaded innocent to the crimes.

It's not for lack of snooping that gay journalists have been sidelined. Immediately after sidelined. Immediately after Goldman's picture was released Goldman's picture was released to the news media, phone and fax lines burned up trying to discover if he was gay. After all, he was a handsome model/waiter who was described as "only a friend" to "fun-loving" Nicole Brown Simpson. But despite rumors, nothing indicated that Goldman was gay.

Then there were the stories about O.J.'s father having been

about O.J.'s father having been a drag queen who died of AIDS. a diag queen with thed of ADS. Straight-faced speculators have opined on talk shows such as Geraldo, and in supermarket tabloid cover stories, that shame over his father's alleged homosexuality drove the man's man football hero to rage and com-mit domestic violence, and then, maybe, they posited, to commit murder. While perhaps mentioning the father story in assign gay journality house passing, gay journalists have resisted running with this psy-chological gobbledygook. But now, in the heat of fren-

But now, in the heat of frenzied competition, the Star, a supermarket tabloid, reports in its September 27 issue that three weeks before she was murdered, Nicole "fell into the arms" of and fell in love with her best girlfriend, Faye Resnick. Since neither Nicole nor Faye Resnick were known to frequent local lesbian hangouts, the story rests entirely outs, the story rests entirely upon hearsay from the *Star*'s unnamed "impeccable sources."

On May 24, the *Star* reports, Nicole Brown Simpson rebuffed her ex-husband O.J.'s attempts at reconciliation by giving him back an expensive bracelet he'd given her for her 35th birthday five days earlier, telling him she "cannot be bought." She then moved out of the \$5-million Brentwood man-sion on Rockingham Avenue into a \$600,000 condo nearby into a \$600,000 condo nearby on Bundy Drive. It was there that she was "comforted" by "twice-divorced socialite" Faye Resnick, a "self-confessed cocaine addict and her closest confidante over the final months of her tormented life" wheeld here living for two were the self-confessed confidence over the final months of her tormented life" who'd been living for two years with Santa Monica chiropractor Christian Reichart.

Christian Reichart.
According to the Star,
Nicole confided her "romantic
liaison with Faye" to two close
friends, one of whom gave the
Star the "exclusive" dirt. After
bumping into Nicole in
Brentwood, the close friend
asked about reconciliation
attempts. Nicole allegedly
replied: "I've broken it off. ... I



Not a "cheap lesbian fantasy" was how a "friend" of Nicole Brown Simpson's described her relationship with Fave Resnick.

have made a decision. It is all over. O.J. is not doing well with the situation. He is going

crazy."

The friend then reports she asked Nicole if there was anyone else. "She didn't look particularly happy," the friend told the Star, "and said mysterious-ly: 'Well ... there might be.' When I asked her if it was someone I knew, she said: 'It isn't what you think ... It is to do with Faye.' I pressed her for more: 'What do you mean?' I asked. It was then that Nicole finally admitted: 'I love my girlfriend.'"

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The friend "challenged"
Nicole, asking, "Isn't there something really wrong with this?" to which Nicole allegedly responded: "O.J. isn't doing well, and I'm safer with Faye."

Yet another friend reverled

well, and I'm safer with Faye."
Yet another friend revealed to the Star how "party girl Resnick" told her about the romance with Nicole. "Faye described to me how a distraught Nicole collapsed sobbing into her arms. She told Faye: "What can I do? O.J. says he'll kill me if I see another guy. But I need someone to love guy. But I need someone to love me." That was ostensibly the guy. But I need someone to love me." That was ostensibly the beginning of the affair, which the friend begged the *Star* not to present "like some cheap lesbian fantasy. It wasn't like that at all. This relationship was born out of a deep need for love and understanding on Nicole's part. It was her desperate cry for help. Fave provided comfort for help. Faye provided comfort for Nicole and a shoulder for her to cry on. She was afraid to have a

cry on. She was afraid to have a guy because of O.J.'s insane jealousy. There was nowhere else for her to turn."

One Nicole "insider" took the information to the District Attorney's office and told prosecutor Marcia Clark, the Star reports. The defense is allegedly aware of the reports as well. According to the Star, the According to the Star, the friend also told Clark that "O.J.

had threatened Faye. He told her: 'If you don't stay away from Nicole, you'll be sorry.' That was in the last month of her life. I witnessed firsthand (Continued on page 23)

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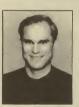
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Deep Springs = Gay Friendly?

by Kent Brandley

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Northern California
men extolling the
virtues of "Deep
Springs" might make casual listeners believe they were overhearing a slang discussion of a
mattress or sex act, but that isn't the case. Actually, Deep Springs is a college located about eight hours from the Bay

Area.

It is also the college ranked in this year's Princeton Review
Student Access Guide to the
Best 306 Colleges as the nation's most gay-friendly cam-

pus.
The rankings in the 1995
Review, published late last
month by a division of Random
House, are based on the anonymous reports of 48,000 college students nationwide and how they perceive their schools. And after compiling and sorting all the data, the book states unequivocally that the gay com-munity is most accepted at Deep Springs College on the Deep springs Conege on the California/Nevada border. (The worst college for gay students, where they are most likely to be ostracized, is Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania, on the

in Easton, Pennsylvania, on the New Jersey border.)
The students at Deep Springs not only put it at the top of the Review's list of great places for gay and lesbian students, but also the number one school where professors make themselves accessible; where the best quality of life is offered; where students from offered; where students from different backgrounds get along; where students are happy with financial aid – they should: each one "receives a full scholarship valued at over \$20,000 covering tuition, room, and board," according to the school's brochure – and where lots of soft drinks are available.

Not available on campus: alcohol and marijuana, according to both the brochure and its students, who ranked it "stone-cold sober" to the *Princeton*

Review.

The sobriety, according to the brochure, springs from the school philosophy that "when a student is fulfilling his responsibilities to the community and engaging in what makes Deep Springs unique, he does not

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Academia was never like this! Cavort with the cowboys and finally get some *real* use out of your Western wear at this ranch/college

have time to ... use incapacitat-ing substances." The only other "ground rule" enforced at the college is that the students are enjoined from "leaving the val-ley except when on business for the college, or in an emer-

In exchange for the solitude - the college is located halfway between Death Valley and Yosemite National Park, 30 Yosemite National Park, 30 miles from the nearest town – the brochure promises "an intensity of personal and intellectual challenge not found at other colleges or universities.'

What that means in layman's terms is that students engage in a rigorous academic program with a faculty of five to seven professors, govern themselves, and participate in the grueling physical work involved in running the cattle and alfalfa ranch that is a crucial component of the college. Several students' days begin before dawn; everydays begin before dawn; everyone works at least 20 hours a
week. The jobs range from collecting eggs to digging ditches,
from inoculating cattle to maintaining the library.

"The labor program is not a

way for students to pay for their time at Deep Springs," the brochure makes clear. "Nor is its purpose to teach skills. The labor program exists to help students develop self-discipline, self-reliance, and an awareness of their responsibilities to the immediate community of Deep Springs and the larger community behind it." Not that academia is ignored

- far from it. The cowboys come back from their chores and head to such tough courses as Neurophysiology and Calculus, in classes that never exceed 12 students. The average class has four to eight. All in all, class has four to eight. All in all, as one second-year student put it in the brochure, "Academics here are more than study. We read Emerson and hike in the valley, read Tocqueville and work through democracy, read Marx and labor in the field." And get along great with their gay fellow students, to boot.

If you would like more infor-

If you would like more information on this gay-friendly, labor-intensive, bookworm/cowboy haven — and who wouldn't? — call (619) 872-2000. ▼

Twice Blessed Jews (and Friends) **Find Support in Los Gatos**

by Kent Brandley

"Twice Blessed," a support group for Jewish lesbians and gay men, commences a six-week session on Monday, October 17 at 7 p.m. at Jewish Family Service, in Los Gatos, a community west of Son Jeep.

Participants will explore such topics as cultural and religious issues, coming out to family and others, interfaith relationships, and being Jewish in the gay community, said Project Director Karen

Belford also announced that a new format has been created for a discussion group for Jewish

parents of lesbians and gay men.

The parents' supportive and confidential monthly discussion group will begin again Tuesday, October 25 with the new 1994-95 for-

This year, for the first time, the group will have a scheduled topic, guest speaker, video, or book discussion at each meeting. The group meets on the last Tuesday of each month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Jewish Family Service, 987 University Avenue, Suite 27 in Los



Any Jewish parent with a gay or lesbian child is welcome to participate.

The scheduled topics and dates for the parents' group

Ten common questions out homosexuality, about October 25;

Dealing with holidays,

November 29; • Video: "Gay Teens" (*Donahue*), December

Jewish perspectives on homosexuality,

For more information on either group, call Karen Belford, MSW, at Jewish Family Service, (408) 399-2202. ▼

Gay-Friendly Church Provides 'An Invitation to the Truth'

by John Antalek

In 1986, James "Walker" Lawer became the second opengay man to be ordained into the United Church of Christ and was told that the future looked bright for gays and lesbians in their church. Since that time, many more homosexuals have been ordained and have brought with them the commitment diversity and acceptance of all people in their communities.

The United Church of Christ's (UCC) First Congregational Church in San Francisco is a mainstream, "Open and Affirming" congre-"Open and Affirming" congregation that welcomes and respects diversity in gender, nationality, race and sexual orientation. Lawer moved to San Francisco, with his lover of five years, to become its co-pastor in July.

"The UCC has taken a strong stand for gays and lesbians," Lawer told the Bay Area Reporter in a recent interview. "They chose me because I was

"They chose me because I was gay. We like to stay on the cutting edge of social issues."

Lawer spent much of his childhood overseas in Europe; his father was stationed in the military in France and that is where, at the age of 13, Lawer had his first homosexual experi-ence. He later married and had

ence. He later married and had two children. It took years, he acknowledged, for him to come to terms with his struggle over his identity, as well as his faith. After coming out to his family, he went to the United Church of Christ to join the seminary – but first, he made a point to reveal his homosexuality, stating that it was an important part of who he was and the church would have to accept it. "I wanted to deal successful-

"I wanted to deal successful-I wanted to deal successful-ly with being gay before enter-ing the seminary," Lawer said. The church agreed and accepted him with no reservations.

The First Congregational Church was founded in 1849 and is part of the United Church of Christ, the denomination that is part of the Congregation joined the Congregational-Christian Churches, Evangelical and Reformed Churches in 1957. These organi-zations derived from the pilgrims who stood against oppressive rule.

The First Congregational

Church brought Lawer to San Francisco as part of a revitaliza-tion to rebuild the church com-

"I want to help the commu-I want to nelp the commu-nity move towards a new future and to get to know other clergy to work with them," Lawer said. Lawer states that God is not only present in church, but in every person, and that some people in the gay community may be rejecting religion or God because of painful experiences they have suffered due to

ideals of organized religions.

"There's good reason why people are against organized church. You hear all the stories that keep reinforcing negative feelings," Lawer said.

He said that gays and lesbians have suffered tremendantly through religious neares.

dously through religious perse-cution, and that part of his message is to end the belief that homosexuals are not part of God's family.

"Here's an invitation to the truth. There isn't a single answer," Lawer said. "Churches in general claim to know all about God and they damage people. And most who damage through religion do not apolo-gize. As homosexuals, we've gize. As homosexuals, we've had our identities messed with. So, we are in the right place to be asking spiritual questions. Who are you? That's your responsibility. I would consider it wrong to make you see it my

questions and answers can be a terrible struggle. His own deci-sion to leave his family to join the church, for example, was a painful but necessary choice.

"Ask yourself questions to keep you honest in your own life, "he said. "I am called to accountability with God. He is present in truth, compassion, hope, social justice, and heal-

ing."

Lawer feels that there are not that are not spiritual needs that are not being acknowledged inside gay

culture.

"In many religions, homo-'In many religions, homosexuals are considered the low-est of the low – next to whores," he continued, saying that gays need to rise above the hatred and bigotry they face daily. "We should find a way to live which honors God," he told the BAR

the B.A.R.

Lawer feels that forgiveness and patience are crucial for gay spiritual health, especially with the AIDS crisis needing so much of the community's atten-

"The UCC was the first church to write resolutions on AIDS issues," he observed

proudly.

Lawer is still in the process of settling into his new home and job, but is not wasting any time reaching out to the com-munity and exploring the city to see who is interested in talking about God, the church, or about any of life's many ques-



The UCC's First Congregational Church at Post and Mason sts. in San Francisco.

"I certainly don't believe that God has to be a male," Lawer added, "but I do know God is the energy of love and compassion that is inclusive of all kinds of life. Wherever I see people celebrating the joy of love, that to me is the presence

The First Congregational Church is located on the corner of Post and Mason Streets. To talk with pastor James "Walker" Lawer, or to get information on service schedules, call the rec-tory at (415) 392-7461. ▼ Proudly Serving the Russian River Area!

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To illustrate his point, Zingale refers to the Hancock amendment, a 1994 measure that would "deny any federal funds to any school where a counselor said anything positive to any lide or when there is no any federal funds." counselor said anything positive to a gay kid, or where there is an AIDS prevention program." It was defeated by only 35 votes in the House of Representatives, Zingale observes, a margin that could conceivably disappear in the next election.
"Take the parties stuff out of

"Take the partisan stuff out of it, ideologically, people are saying there will be a shift of from 20 to 40 votes in the House," he

says.
"Imagine we come back to

"Imagine we come back to Congress where they can just pummel us with these anti-gay amendments." That's the fear. The positive hope is to build on support for the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) introduced this summer with a record number of co-sponsors. It is the first significant piece of federal civil rights legislation for lesbians and gays that has a chance of being enact-

that has a chance of being enacted into law.

Zingale is marshaling the resources of HRCF for congressional races. The organization has readied a background booklet that educates candidates, showing them how to frame language of the dabate and present guage of the debate on gay and lesbian issues. It aims to raise about \$800,000 in contributions and has already distributed more than half that amount to candidates. It is also encouraging its members to volunteer with cam-

paigns and will send staff into the field to work beside them. The new political action committee AIDSPAC set up operations earlier this year to help congressional candidates who support progressive AIDS

policies and funding. Most of its initial efforts are going into developing a donor base and educating candidates on the developing a candidates on the educating candidates on the issues. However, it hopes to contribute up to \$50,000, spread contribute

Treasurer Tom Sheridan sees

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this election cycle as "an opportunity to establish a reputation as a bipartisan PAC, one that is interested in incumbents and chal-lengers, and is also interested

friends and punishing enemies "If we get involved in a few targeted races, the community can make a difference. We made can make a difference. We made a difference in the Clinton race," said Zingale. Then he added with a slight sigh, "For what it was worth."

And that is one of the chal-And that is one of the chal-lenges of this election. Many in the community feel burned by their support of Bill Clinton and are either forsaking politics or are becoming much more selective in their support.

Congressional Races

House of Representatives: All 435 members are up for reelection. Most up for reelection. Most observers feel the Democrats will lose seats but retain control of the house. However, as Zingale observed, the partisan make-up tells less than the whole story: the body is likely to become ideologically more consequities because of the conservative, because of the retirement of supportive old-line liberals who chair key commit-

Newer and younger members, challengers for open seats, tend to be more supportive of lesbian and gay concerns. They will be a major focus of activity, along



Barney Frank

with sup-portive first-term "freshm e n two years consid ered vulnerable.
The two

openly gay mem

Frank (D-MA) and Gerry Studds (D-MA), and the one semi-openly gay member, Steve Gunderson (R-WI) do not have serious challenges and should be reelected. No other openly gay candidates have made it into the general election for (D-MA) and Gerry election general

The Senate: It greatly concerns Zingale. Not only is there likelihood of a further ideological shift to the right, there is also possibility of an actual shift of control from a Democrat to a Republican majority. That would mean Ted Kennedy (D-MA) would no longer chair the important Education and Labor committee. He has used that position to push for AIDS legislation and lesbian and gay issues such as ENDA

California: Incumbent California: Incumbent Democrat Dianne Feinstein is pitted against Republican challenger Michael Huffington – a freshman Housemember from California's 22nd district – in what polls show to be a close

race.

"There is nothing but good news for us out there because Huffington is a co-sponsor of ENDA," says Zingale. "It is not

a good-versus-evil race." That assessment of Huffington comes



Michael Huffington

prise to gay vot-ers who insulated by th Wash the ington beltway. The Christian Coalition g a v e Huffing-ton a 50

percent rating for his performance in the

House, where he voted to ban HIV-positive immigrants and to forbid domestic partnerships in Washington, D.C. On the other hand, Huffington voted against banning gays and lesbians from military service and Feinstein vetoed domestic partnerships in San Francisco during her tenure

as mayor.

HRCF is supporting
Feinstein, Zingale says, because
she "has a pretty solid record of
aggressive leadership," while
Huffing-ton "has relatively no
re- cord. So clearly, we go
with what we know works."

Massachusetts: Kennedy believes he is in the elec-toral fight of his life. It isn't because neophyte Republican Mitt Romney is so formidable, polls show, but because many



Mitt Romney

people believe 32 years in the senate t i m T h e mystique may be wearing a bit thin. Romney

won the Repub-

mary, unusual for the fact that both candidates courted the gay vote, so that won't be an issue in the campaign. Kennedy should be back next year.

Pennsylvania: Democrat Harris Wofford was elected two years ago in a special election. His history of work in civil rights earned him a \$10,000 contribution from HRCF and support from the gay communi-

Since then, he has been major disappointment in the senate, inaccessible to gay constituents, and voting wrong on the military issue. He refuses to cosponsor ENDA, the only Democrat on the Education and Labor committee to take that

HRCF cited lack of co-sponsorship as reason for not contributing to his campaign. The election should be a close one.

Virginia: Former Marines Ollie North and Chuck Robb duke it out in one of the nation's most watched senate races.

Questions have been raised about the personal integrity of both. Robb is no liberal, but he did support allowing gays in the military, and the community has embraced his campaign. North is the posterboy of gay bashers.

Zingale thinks that "money is "allowed the military and the community has embraced his campaign."

going to make a difference because the conventional givers are afraid to give to Robb, because they think he is going down." Zingale calls it "their

most important senate race.' Apparently so do HRCF members, as they responded strongly to a fundraising appeal high-lighting that contest.

Robb's campaign to date has



Ollie North

been char-acteristic of him deadly dull. North's has been masterful in use of television to define the candidate posi-tively. North holds slight lead

in the latest polls.
Unless the closing weeks of the campaign turn to heavy duty mud-slinging by the principals, independent candidate Marshall Coleman will finish a distant

Ballot Initiatives

Anti-gay initiatives remain on the ballot, statewide in Oregon and Idaho, and in smaller jurisdictions. HRCF, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, and Gay and Lesbian Americans have contributed personnel and technical assistance in various forms.

Several national organiza-

Several national organizations pooled their mailing list to send a joint letter asking members for direct contributions to those ballot campaigns. The initial response has been very positive. HRCF has also written checks of \$25,000 and \$20,000 respectively to the state cam-

paigns.
Polling data on these types of votes has proven to be notori-ously inaccurate, so it is difficult to predict the outcomes.

Gay Candidates

The Gay and Lesbian Victory The Gay and Lesbian Victory Funds has a bumper crop of 26 openly gay and lesbian candidates it is supporting for state and local offices this year. By mid-September they had raised and passed on over \$350,000, said executive director William Waybours Waybourn.

The Victory Fund evaluates and endorses candidates and and endorses candidates and then passes that information on to its 4,300 members. Each member has pledged to write at least two \$100 checks for individual candidates, but are free to choose which candidates to sup-

port.

Heading up the list are
Democrats Tony Miller, who
was appointed California
Secretary of State and is now
trying to get elected on his
own, and Karen Burstein,
running for Attorney General
in New York. Miller is given
the edge in his race because
he is the incumbent. Burstein
has a tougher contest, having has a tougher contest, having won the September primary with only 31 percent of the vote. Both should be close

races.
"This "This year could really change history for the 90s and beyond," says Waybourn, "when you think that we could have two openly gay statewide elect-ed officials."

He points to other likely causes for celebration, as well: the possible elections of a judge in Florida and the first state leg-islator in Missouri, and addi-tions to the number of legislators in Oregon, among the pending contests.



Finally, Dianne Feinstein Revealed

"Dianne was still in grade school when her mother tried to drown her little sister in the bath." So opens the just-pubdrown her little sister in the bath." So opens the just-published, remarkable and compelling biography, Dianne Feinstein: Never Let Them See You Cry by San Francisco Chronicle editorial page editor Jerry Roberts. Through a richly detailed story Roberts reveals what's underneath the veneer of California's star senator, who is now in the political battle of her now in the political battle of her

But, as Roberts pointed out in a September 30 interview, Feinstein's no stranger to fierce battles: as an unrecovered adult child of an alcoholic, she's been fighting forces from within and without throughout her life. It's a life filled with complex con-

Feinstein's childhood of wealth and beauty, for instance, was undercut and overwhelmed by her unstable, abusive mother. Her triumph, aside from becoming one of the state's first female senators (with Barbara Boxer), is her sheer determination not only to survive but win in the political game, Roberts suggests. And yet she's still trying

gests. And yet she's still trying to prove herself worthy.

In a 1986 interview with San Francisco writer Carol Pogash, Feinstein enumerated twelve "rules for getting ahead." One of those rules was this: "Do not cry. Ever. If you've got to bite off your tongue or close your eyes so tight that nobody can see what's in them, do it. Because a man can cry and somehow it doesn't bother anybody. If a woman cries, it's an body. If a woman cries, it's an immediate, destructive thing that goes out and that everybody ems to remember."
Feinstein illustrated how she

fuses the personal with the political when she took the Senate floor during the recent assault weapon debate. Idaho Republican Senator Larry Craig criticized her description of the weapon used by a gunman to kill 21 and wound 19 at a fast weapen.
kill 21 and wound 19 at a nach
food restaurant in San Diego.
He concluded with: "So, the
restalady from California gentlelady from California needs to become a little bit more

deadly characteristics."
Feinstein's response transfixed the Senate. "I am quite familiar with firearms. I became mayor as a product of assassina-tion. ... I proposed gun control legislation in San Francisco. I went through a recall on the basis of it. I was trained in the shooting of a firearm when I had terrorist attacks, with a bomb at my house, when my husband was dying, when I had windows shot out. Senator, I know something about what firearms can do." Both the house and senate

narrowly passed the ban.
And yet, for all the internal discipline exerted to keep her private life private, there are moments when she loses control. Her authoritative style and flashes of anger are the rumored reasons turnovers. On the other there are moments when Feinstein's "child within" is inadvertently revealed. During November 1993 San fundraiser with reasons for constant staff turnovers. On the other hand, hadvertently revealed. During the November 1993 San Francisco fundraiser with President Clinton, it became clear Feinstein wouldn't make it home in time. When she called from a plane, Roberts recalls

her voice sound "plaintive" as she told the crowd: "I'm always afraid I'd throw a party and no one would come. Now there's a party thrown for me and I can't

Roberts, who says his writing style was influenced by friend and co-worker the late Randy Shilts, also noted how those "complex contradictions" have played out in Feinstein's rollercoaster relationship with the les-bian and gay community. After the assassination of Mayor George Moscone and Super-

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visor Harvey Milk, which catapulted her into the mayor's office, Feinstein made a series of political missteps that so alienated gay comthat

munity that her 1979 mayoral race was seriher 1979 mayoral race was seri-ously jeopardized – until she pulled it out with a simple apolo-gy: "Maybe at times I have been insensitive," she acknowledged, but added, "It wasn't because of any calculated reason.

"If I said things that the com-munity has found offensive or doesn't understand, I apologize for that." She was elected San Francisco's first woman mayor on her third try.

Francisco's first woman mayor on her third try.

One of her first and most impressive leadership efforts was funding programs for what was later identified as AIDS. The programs became the model for the country. But then, roughly mid-term, contrary to her political advisers but heeding the archbishop and her ing the archbishop and her rabbi, Feinstein vetoed a domestic partnership measure pushed by Supervisor Harry Britt. She apparently made no connection between her own premarital relationship with Richard Blum and the domestic partnerships sought both by gays and unmar-ried heterosexuals. The gay community felt betrayed and took it out on her by joining in the recall effort.

Feinstein's triumph over the recall launched her as a major statewide political figure. But gays did not forget that veto and stayed out of her 1990 gover-nor's race against Pete Wilson. By 1992 Feinstein had mended fences and easily won the senior senate seat from John Seymour senate scat morn rollin sonn explorer in the enthusiastic "pro-change" voting atmosphere. In fact, some gays preferred Feinstein's more moderate approach to the unabashedly liberal Boxer.

Feinstein became a star in the enate. She stood with Boxer to fight for Roberta Achtenberg's federal appointment; carried hate crime legislation in the Crime Bill (Roberts says she created a "sea-change" in the senate by taking on the NRA); fought for increased AIDS funding; and succeeded where Alan Cranston had failed on the Desert Bill. But her vote on an anti-gay Helms amendment and her conservative approach to healthcare reform once again have her on the defensive.

She has explained the Helms vote as an agreement among Senate colleagues not to make Jesse Helms "a martyr." They knew that the amendment would be killed in conference - as it has been. But many gays are nonetheless furious, prompting concern among others that her



Reading Dianne: Activist G'dali Braverman, who chained himself to Sen. Feinstein's office weeks ago, holds up a copy of her biography, his "award" at Sunday's ACT UP/Golden Gate

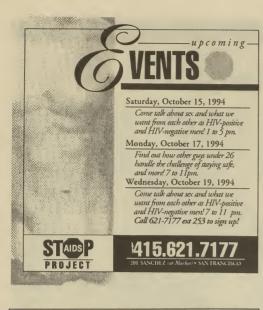
campaign may be in jeopardy again - and, if Republicans score big gains in the national November election, losing Feinstein could mean the loss of the deciding vote in the senate.

Roberts says Washington

Roberts insiders are confused about why Feinstein is having so much trouble in California. But, he notes, "it's very weird out there." And the race between Feinstein and her Republican opponent Mike Huffington ("still a blank slate") is "uncharted territory," with

Huffington reportedly willing to spend up to \$26 million to win. "I don't think anybody in America's run a campaign with an unlimited budget before," he said. But, he added, "I still think she can pull it out." It depends on voter turnout. ▼







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GAY/LESBIAN HISTORY

Gays Push for Recognition Of 19th Century Gay Leader

"They had locked up his love in science's wax-figure cabinet

of monsters, deformities, and monstrosities of

- John Henry Mackay, German anarchist

aybe he remains the hero you've

aybe he remains the hero you've never heard of; many people have no idea who he was or how much he shaped their lives.

Karl Heinrich Ulrichs died 99 years ago, but his message lives on, in the form of the gay rights movement he started when he was literally the only known out-of-the-closet gay activist, anywhere, in the middle of the last century. He was an "in-your-face queer" at a time when that phrase would have meant nothing to anyone – and as such, his 20th century admirers say, his legend deserves to live on and get greater regard.

Now a push is on to get Ulrichs more of the recognition he deserves, and to add historical perspective to a gay movement that, by Ulrichs's own reckoning, would have turned 130 years old last May 26 (see sidebar).

Floridians Michael Lombard and Paul Nash have begun a nationwide drive to focus next year's

have begun a nationwide drive to focus next year's gay pride celebrations on the man they applaud as with first known, proud to be out, gay rights advocate in a homophobic society." They suggest that committee members for 1995 gay events focus on the 100th anniversary of his death with the theme:
"Karl Heinrich Ulrichs (d. 1895) 100 Years of

Pride in '95."

"Before Ulrichs, not one gay rights activist or supporter had actually come right out and said the were gay, as he did," Lombard and Nash insist. "Only Ulrichs went on to speak and write that homosexuality is natural and healthy. He led the way to all that has happened since."

After ten years of researching Karl Ulrichs's writings and theories, former mathematics professor Hubert Kennedy has written the biography Ulrichs: The Life and Works of Karl Heinrich Ulrichs, Pioneer of the Modern Gay Movement, an excellent resource for learning about the modern world's first outspoken gay.

ern world's first outspoken gay.

Ulrichs was born in northwestern Germany on August 28, 1825. He studied law at Berlin University, passed the bar in the 1850s, and worked in the civil service near Hanover. He soon became dissatisfied, quit the civil service, and turned to journalism. At 37, he accepted his homo-

sexuality and came out to his family.

Ulrichs called gay men "Urnings" since the word "homosexual" had not yet been coined.

Motivated in the 1860s by the suicide of a gay man, Ulrichs began to research and write extensively about homosexuality. His controversial studies on the subject – a dozen books in all, combining anger, humor, and clear thinking in his his-- were banned. They were also widely read.

As a member of the Association of German

A Gay Rights Pioneer

Karl Heinrich Ulrichs 1825-1895

First known out-of-the-closet gay advocate, public speaker, and writer to promote equal rights for lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgenderists, and women;
 Encouraged other gays to come out of

the closet:

Demanded the rights of gays be equal to heterosexuals' rights;
 Called for abolishing anti-gay laws;
 Advised the church to accept homo-

Asked families to support gay family

Rejected "sick" theories from the

Hejected sick theories from the medical profession;
 Claimed homosexuality also to be a moral and ethical lifestyle;
 Wrote the first books (12 of them)

positively identifying homosexuals (i.e., not equated to degeneracy);

 Addressed such issues as suicide, police harassment, blackmail, the military, family values, hate crimes, privacy, and

marriage;
• Published the first gay magazine

(1870);
• Originated the "third sex" theory (asserting the condition is inborn and nat-

ural);

• Outlined the first known by-laws for a

gay organization;
• Suggested fundraising to aid gay bashing victims

 Identified May 26, 1864 (the day the ban on his books was lifted) as the beginnings of a movement.

- Kent Brandley

Jurists, he addressed that body of 500 lawyers and judges in 1867 and demanded they discuss homosexuality.

He was shouted down.

He was shouted down.

He was also jailed for political activism, twice.

Unhappy with the Prussian domination in
Germany and the spread of its anti-gay laws,
Ulrichs went into self-exile in 1880. He went to
central Italy, supporting himself with the help of
friends and by writing and tutoring. He died July
14, 1895, in L'Aquila.

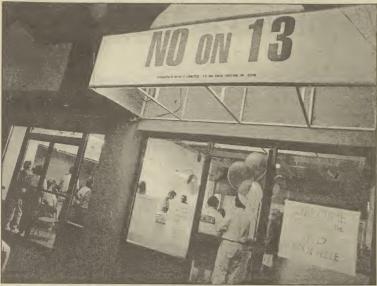
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"The courage and integrity of Ulrichs, a centuago, remains an inspiration," Kennedy con-

Kennedy's book will be among the thousands in the eagerly anticipated James Hormel Gay and Lesbian Center, due to open at the new San Francisco Public Library under the direction of James E. Van Buskirk. ▼



Karl Heinrich Ulrichs



The No on 13 Campaign held an open house at its Portland headquarters in September.

regonians Fight the Right

PORTLAND-The No on 13 Campaign (formerly called Save Our Communities PAC) has been holding a number of has been holding a number of creative fundraising events throughout Oregon to stop the anti-gay efforts of the Oregon Citizens Alliance (OCA), the most recent of which was the "Panorama '94 Auction For No on 13" at the Portland Museum North Wilm (Foresthe the North Wing (formerly the Masonic Temple) on October 7. The "Shop, Dine & Boogie" fundraiser on September 24 included simultaneous house parties, dining/shopping at par-ticipating merchants, and dance parties in Portland and other

Hoping to gain an even largroping to gain an even larger coalition than was achieved in the successful No on 9 Campaign in 1992, the No on 13 Campaign uses the slogan, "DEFEND EVERYONE'S BASIC RIGHTS" for its litera-ture, signs and bumper stickers.

The Campaign is sponsoring a public access cable TV show called And Justice For All that is being broadcast on several cable services. Names are also being collected for the No on 13 Committee of 10,000, for pub-lic use of those who support basic human rights for all citi-

The No on 13 Campaign held an open house in September for its new statewide headquarters, to sign up volunteers and explain its planned strategy to defeat the OCA-sponsored state ballot measure.

Campaign Manager Julie Davis said that "we have a lot of work to do in the next 60 days to accomplish the task of managing the campaign against the OCA's plan to legalize discrimination. We have worked really

hard to bring together a profes-sionally-run campaign."

Davis added that "we've done two major statewide polls, of 1000 and 700 voters respecof 1000 and 700 voters respec-tively. That polling and its focus groups has been the basis for how we will develop our mes-sage, and how we can go out and talk to those people who are actually undecided on this issue."

"What we found first of all

with these polls," Davis told the crowd of about 50, "is that we have the ability to win this campaign. It's within our reach. What we have seen through our research is that the general population still has a good sense of what Ballot Measure 9 was, so we have to talk about how. we have to talk about how Ballot Measure 13 is equal to that measure

that measure."

Scot Nakagawa of the
National Gay and Lesbian Task
Force's Fight The Right Project
also encouraged people to get
involved in fighting the far
right, including the OCA.
Nakagawa said he had spent the
lest 18 months traveling about last 18 months traveling about 150,000 miles around the country, and that Oregon had been cussed a lot.
'Oregon has been the focal

point for the battle that's been going on for sometime over

going on for sometime over whether gays and lesbians have civil rights. Oregon is a very important political struggle, the people that I've been working with feel," Nakagawa said.

Davis introduced No on 13 Campaign staff members, including Deputy Campaign Manager Holly Pruett, Fundraising Director David Strah, Volunteer Coordinator Strah, Volunteer Coordinator Fritz King and Coalition Director Tony Padilla. Strah said they "hope to raise about \$2.3 million for the campaign." The Campaign plans to send out about a million pieces of mail before the November 8 election

Also in attendance were Oregon Representative Mike Burton, community activist
Kathleen Saadat, No on 13
Steering Committee member
Carol Auger (a prominent Democrat), Oregon Democraty, and Archbishop James Arling of the King of Kings Ecumenical Catholic Church. Saadat said, "We don't have

an agenda. This campaign is trying to build something that is more proactive, and we'll begin to develop that agenda." Arling told that *Bay Area Reporter* that his small branch of the Catholic Church is open to diversity, and

welcomes gays and lesbians. Campaign Board of Trustees include Ken Harrison, Chairman of Portland General Electric, Portland attorney Cliff Carlsen, openly-lesbian

Representative Gail Shibley, and Rabbi Emanuel Rose of Temple Beth Israel, who played Tempie Beth Israel, who played a prominent role in the No on 9 Campaign. No on 13 Campaign can be contacted at P.O. Box 40625, Portland, OR 97240-0625; 503-222-6151, FAX: 502-222-6418, internet: socpac@aol.com. ▼



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Elders Speaks to Gay Scribblers in Minnesota

Keynote speakers at the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association Conference, convened in Minneapolis/St. Paul September 22-25, included U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders; Congressmember Barney Frank; Gays-in-the-Military posterboy Joseph Steffan; Los Angeles's KNBC-TV reporter Garrett Glazer; Texas Triangle publisher Kay Longcope; and cancer specialist Dr. Katherine O'Hanlan. Kate Clinton provided laughter.

Conference attendees were welcomed by

Conference attendees were welcomed by Minneapolis Mayor Sharon Sayles Belton, the city's first woman and African-American mayor, who said she would not have been elected had it not been for the support she received from the gay, lesbian, bi, and transconder constraints of the support she received from the gay.

gender community.

Elders was enthusiastically received by the September 23 luncheon group. She was introduced by former Los Angeles Times AIDS reporter Victor Zonana, who now holds a top job under Donna Shalala at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. He called Elders a "beacon of hope."

Elders a "beacon of hope."

Elders was funny and forthright on a range of subjects, including her own penchant for making controversial "off the cuff" speeches. In fact, she probably didn't help her standing with the religious right, which openly loathes her as a symbol of Clinton's presidency, when she started speaking at the conference about the epidemic that has devastated the gay community for 14 years: "If America had spent as much time looking at HIV/AIDS as looking at O.J. [Simpson]," she said with her usual knack for turning a phrase, "we'd be a lot better educated."

She thanked the lesbian and gay community for "acting up" about AIDS – otherwise, she said, "we'd be a lot further behind the eight ball than we are" – and wondered at how educators can teach people about HIV/AIDS and not talk about sex. She noted the high rate of teen pregnancy (500,000 children born to teens each year) – "and we're still sitting around thinking our children are not having sex. ... I wonder how we think these things happen?

"I've never given out a condom for sexual purposes," she said, but "only to protect children." A special hush fell over the crowd when Elders talked



Tell it like it is: Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders, shown earlier this year, was a hit at the NLGJAC Sept. 23.

about protecting teens from another epidemic: suicide. According to her statistics, more than 5,000 teens a year commit suicide now – a figure that's been increasing over the past decade – making it the third-leading cause of death among 15 - 24-year-olds, with higher rates among gay teens and minority youth. She noted that sexual orientation had been "inadequately measured in suicide entation had been "inadequately measured in suicide studies" – that since suicide victims' parents are "the least likely" to know if the youth was gay, up to eight friends should be interviewed. "This is a major public health problem," she said. "The bottom line is that we don't have the data. But it's important not to blame the

Elders also talked about how lesbian and gay teens suffer anti-gay violence in high schools and are treated as "social outcasts, vilified. ... This is unacceptable in our society." But along with the gloomy statistics, Elders did offer some hope, voicing her belief that racism, sexism, and homophobia perpetrated by "spiritual economists" can be countered by comprehensive education started at an early age. "Make [children] understand social justice in our society," she urged. \textstyle{\Psi}

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Officials Say City Water Is Safe From Cryptosporidium

by Kent Brandley

Alarm bells were sounded across the country by a recent three-part series on NBC's Dateline about possible risks posed by the intestinal parasite Cryptosporidium, sweeping Cryptosporidium, sweeping some local residents along in

But, according to recent information provided to the Health Commission and the B.A.R. by Ann Kronenberg of the Department of Public Health, San Francisco's water supply is safe from the parasite.
That is good news to all city residents and visitors who residents remember the havoc it played in the Milwaukee area in 1993: a

the Milwaukee area in 1993; a Cryptosporidium infestation of the water supply there infected 400,000 people and killed at least 100 – a majority of whom were people with HIV.

When ingested by humans, Cryptosporidia can cause Cryptosporidiosis, a crippling infection for people living with HIV and other medically vulnerable populations, including children and the elderly. For people with severely compromised with severely compromised immune systems, the disease is incurable and ultimately fatal.

For that reason, safeguarding water supplies from "Crypto" is a vital issue for people living with HIV here in San Francisco

Brendan Daly, from the office of openly gay Massachusetts Representative Gerry Studds, told the B.A.R. the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has no standards for determining acceptable levels of Crypto-

acceptable levels of Crypto-sporidium contamination in pub-lic drinking water supplies. But that is about to change. On September 20, the U. S. House Energy and Commerce Committee approved compre-hensive legislation to overhaul the Safe Drinking Water Act,

including provisions offered by Studds that would require the EPA to establish regulations for controlling Cryptosporidia in America's drinking water. "This legislation is of critical

importance to people living with HIV, children, and the elderly, and to all others who are at in creased risk of contracting such

diseases from the water they drink,"

Ann Kronenberg

Studdsspon-sored i o n w h i c h was in-cluded in H . R . 3392, the

said.

Water Act Amendments of 1994, would require the EPA to publish a maximum contami-nant level goal, and promulgate an interim national primary drinking water regulation for Cryptosporidium for public water systems serving 10,000 people or more, by December 31, 1996. The provision would require the EPA to supersede the interim regulation with a permanent regulation within the

next two years.

The measure passed the House late last month, Daly told the B.A.R.

San Francisco is ahead of the EPA, according to city officials. In a memo to Mayor Frank Jordan, the board of supervisors, and the Public Utilities Commission, Anson Moran, general manager of the PUC, assured all concerned that San Francisco's water supply is being monitored for the para-

site, and is safe from it.
"San Francisco has been

pro-active in dealing with Cryptosporidium in our drinking water and has been regular ly testing its water supply for the organism, along with other parasites, since the mid-1980s," Moran wrote.

Kronenberg agreed with that assessment, and wrote in a report to the health commission, "San Francisco has a disease surveillance program" that will detect "low level" outbreaks of Cryptosporidiosis in immunocompromised persons.
By monitoring patients, as well
as the water supply, officials
feel they are more alert to warning signs if an infestation were to threaten.

However, Moran reported, repeated studies have shown that

repeated studies have shown that the water is safe and there have not been any outbreaks in the city.

"The Health Department [and] researchers at the University of California Medical Center, in conjunction with the [city] Water Department, have been studying the incidence of Crypto in HIV patients prior to the Milwaukee outbreak. Department of Public Health infectious disease surveillance program confirms, on a monthprogram confirms, on a month-ly basis, that there is no evidence of waterborne disease in San Francisco," health commissioners were informed. ▼

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A group of social workers, nurses, psychologists, and doctors discussed the importance of humor to the medical field on Sunday, October 2 at the American Association of Therapeutic Humor's national conference in Chicago.

Humor's national conference in Chicago.

The two-day conference, the group's fourth annual, explored how humor and laughter can improve a person's mental and physiological health. According to Dr. Ed Dunkelblau, humor helps people deal with their problems by improving their outlooks, and misery is "an optional experience."

"Everyone has had the experience of laughing a lot and feeling better," said Dunkelblau. "Especially with illness and psychiatric problems, it gives us an ability to accept life in a less problematic way."

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Dunkelblau said humor as therapy is still a new idea, and most of the evidence of its effectiveness is anecdotal and has yet to be widely embraced by physicians. But he said the acceptance of the treatment is growing. "It's gaining more and more acceptance in the medical community," Dunkelblau said. "Psychiatrists have known for a while that humor can be engaging and helpful."

While humor may be helpful, Dunkelblau said doctors using humor therapy need to be aware of some possible pitfalls.

"Some humor can be perceived as a put down or as aggres-

"Some humor can be perceived as a put down or as aggressive," he said. "You always want to use humor that's connective.

You have to be careful about not using sexist or racist humor."

He also said the patient may perceive that a doctor's use of humor trivializes an illness or shows that the patient is not being taken seriously.

But how does the humor work as therapy?

But now does the numor work as therapy?

Dunkelblau said some physicians are working to document that laughter beefs up the immune system. There are also theories that laughing causes the body to create its own morphine and relaxes the muscles to facilitate healing, he added.

But while laughter alone will probably not heal a broken humerus, Dunkelblau said a good chuckle could nevertheless help.

"Sometimes it alleviates the pain by distracting us," he said.

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Robert T. Ford, writer, publisher and graphic artist, died peacefully from AIDS complications in his Chicago home October 2. He was surrounded by his loving parents, Frank R. Jr. and La Verne Ford; sister, Linda Ford; cousin, LaFreda Lusk; life companion, Michael Thompson; and friends, Trent Adkins, Wendy Quinn and Terry Martin. He was 32.

Ford was founding publisher and co-editor of Thing Magazine, a black and gay arts and entertainment magazine that was seminal in the phenomenon of self-published magazines or "zines" during the late '80s and into the '90s. He was inducted into Chicago's Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame in 1993. Ford's most recent work, "Life During Wartime," was published as a series in Babble magazine and candidly documented his personal struggle with HIV/AIDS. There will be a memorial service at Cage Memorial Chapel, 7651 S. Jeffery Blvd., on Saturday, October 15. The family suggests that donations in Robert Ford's name be made to either Women in the Director's Chair (WIDC), 3435 N. Sheffield, Chicago, IL 60657 or The Hospite Unit at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, 303 E. Superior St., Chicago, IL 60611.

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Christopher Michael Sheehy

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active in the Most Holy Redemer Church and was also a third-order Franciscan. He attended Ohio Dominican College and Capital University in Columbus. He graduated in 1988 from City College from their Dental Assisting Program.

College from their Dental Assisting Program.

Christopher was very successful in the telecommunications field. Former jobs included senior telecommunications analyst for Wells Fargo Bank and MCI. He was last employed by St. Francis Memorial Hospital as an operator in their telecommunications department. Christopher is survived by his loving mother and father, Barbara and Pat Sheehy; grandmother, Virginia Bowman; sister and brotherin-law, Molly and Mike Bussard; and many, many friends.

Anthony K. Buck May 10, 1957 - Oct. 7, 1994

Tony peacefully left us after a valiant struggle with AIDS on



May 10, 1957 - Oct. 7, 1994

Tony peacefully left us after a valiant struggle with AIDS on October 7 at 5 p.m. Those of us who knew him admired his will to survive and fight the disease. Tony will be remembered with love by the many people whose lives he touched.

Born in Bartle sville, Okla., Tony settled in San Francisco in 1981. Soon after arriving, he joined AA, which was a turning point in his life - the beginning of a journey of self-exploration, growth and healing. Tony was gifted with intelligence and a love of people. He earned a BS degree in Nursing at San Francisco State, where he was appreciated by the faculty and his fellow students for his quick mind, outspoken manner and sense of humor. He worked for seven years at California Pacific Medical Center, after experimenting with careers in journalism, bond trading and massage therapy.

He is survived by his mother, Shirley, to whom he was a devoted, loving son, his father, Ollie; his sister, Gayle, who cared for him during the last months of his ilheses and whom he loved dearly; his brother-in-law, Mark Schell; and his close friends, Michael, Dennis, Tom, Garrett and many others. ▼

Paul C. Karney Jr. Oct. 28, 1944 - Sept. 29, 1994

Paul died unexpectedly in his home on 18th Street, one month short of his 50th birth-



home on 18th Street, one month short of his 50th birthday. Born in Phila delphia, Paul was a graduate of Penn State and Georgetown University Law School, A major in the U.S. Army Reserve, Paul served in Vietnam for 2-1/2 years and Was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart and several air medals. His public service career began as city prosecutor for Alexandria, Va. Since May 1983, Paul has been the clerk of the Bankruptey Court for the Northerm District of California.

Paul's life really blossomed with his move to San Francisco in 1983. His involvement with Alcoholic's Anonymous and his 13 years of sobriety were a source of great pride. In his final years, Paul found happiness with Gary Koven. Paul was Gary's knight in shining armor, his dream come true.

Paul is also survived by his sister,

Gary's knight in shining armor, his dream come true.

Paul is also survived by his sister, Patty; brother-in-law, Steve; brother, Gregory; sister-in-law, Jackie; and many nieces and nephews.

Paul was truly a wonderful human being. He had a zest for life and a caring nature that made everyone feel at ease. Those of us touched by his life will never forget him.

Good-bye, my love. ▼

James N. Lombardo March 21, 1951 - Oct. 4, 1994

March 21, 1951 - Oct. 4, 1994
Jim Lombardo of San Francisco,
California, passed away on October
4, ending his batte with AIDS.
Jim, known to
his friends as "Lombard," was
an original, with
a passion for gardening and growing things, a
lover of opera
and classical
music, a dear and
caring brother,
friend and life
companion. He possessed a dry
humor, droll wit and uncommon
intelligence.

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Jim leaves behind his life companion, Mark Walden. He is also survived by a brother, Dominic Lombardo; a sister, Antoinette (Tony) Abraham; neptews, Ryan and Matthew Abraham; nieces, Natalie Abraham, Ashley Lombardo, Heather Lombardo and Raquel Pixler; brother-in-law, Dick Abraham; and many aunts, uncles and cousins. He is also remembered by his closest friend, Joanna St. Angelo; special friend, Anita Engles; and other close, dear friends.

Jim was born and reared in Beaver Falls, Penn. Over the years life took him to Albuquerque, Houston, Phoenix, Tucson and San Francisco.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be sent in his memory to: AmFAR, 733 Third Ave., 12th Floor, New York, NY 10017-3204.

Jim lives on in the memories of

Jim lives on in the memories of those who love him and will remember him with joy, love and fondness always.

Michael "Mikey" Williams Dec. 15, 1955 - Sept. 28, 1994



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Mike was not always the casiest person to get along with, but the had a heart of gold and would do anything for you. Mike was when he died. That was a very important part of his life. In the end he fought as hard for his recovery.

Mike dedicated much of his time to recovery and HIV service. Volunteering at Bay Area Positives, he did whatever was asked of him. He also loved to debate. Any topic would do. He enjoyed the outdoors and was out camping or rafting whenever he could. He loved to play tennis and was always ready for a game.

Mike's only request was that he

tennis and was always ready for a game.

Mike's only request was that he not die alone. With the support of his friends, we were able to see that his wishes were met. He will be remembered with love and affection by the many people he shared his life with, including Marie, David, Joey, Shannon, Nikki, Chris, Pilar, Lee and his family at Walden House.

Angelus Lisotta March 25, 1959 - Sept. 30, 1994



Institute of America in Hyde Park, NY, where he received his degree. Prior to his moving to San Francisco in 1983, he lived in Florida. In San Francisco, his career path took him to some of the city's finest dining establishments. He worked at Stars and, for five years, at Campton Place under Bradley Ogden. He left Campton Place to become manager at Zuni. From Zuni, he took the manager position at Aqua, which he helped open to four-star reviews. He also worked with Spectrum Foods and at Bizou.

Survivors include his parents, Larry and Suzanne of Garrison, New York; and two brothers, Marcellus, of Tempe, Arizona; and Damien, of Garrison, Donations may be made in Angelus' memory to the AIDS Emergency Fund or St. Mary's. ▼

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Rex Dana Brockway II April 4, 1951 - July 22, 1994



many friends from coast to includ-

from coast to coast, including his devoted friend, John Camp.

A funeral service was held in the Vicksburg chapel in Kalamazoo. Rex loved his summers at Indian Lake, Michigan, and upon his request, his ashes were scattered there.

Rex lived life to the fullest with elegance, grace and laughter ever present. He faced his illness with tremendous courage, never losing his sense of humor or faith in tomorrow.

Rex is lovingly remembered for his blond hair, wit, sense of fashion and boyish gin, all of which will be missed by those who knew him. A celebration of his life will be held on Saturday, November 19. Donations in its memory can be made to the AIDS charity of your choice. For more information call (415) 387-9564.

Peter Goddard March 30, 1945 - Oct. 5, 1994



Peter passed from AIDS in Manchester, England, with his

England, family. Born in d, Peter

Navy to travel the world, finally settling in Sydney, Australia. He was well-known as the manager of "The Oxford Hotel," Sydney's best-known gay bar. In SF he was known as the good-looking "Aussie" bartender at the Bear Hollow on Castro Street for many years. Later, he and Don Dennerline, his true love, operated a landscaping business together. Don and Peter were always together – in San Francisco, Australia and finally England.

Brigland.
Peter carried the banner for San Prancisco in the 1988 March on Washington with friend and roommate, Jimmy Carter, and was recently honored by the mayor "for his tireless devotion to building this community" in honor of Stonewall. Peter loved his friends, art, politics and cats. He will be truly missed by so many, in so many places, but nowhere more so than San Francisco, where he always returned – home.

True-blue mate, until we meet again!

Dennis S. Machado Aug. 4, 1947 - July 25, 1994



aged nephews – Joe, Carl and Rick – and gave Rick – and gave them the forti-tude, wisdom and

them the fortitude, wisdom and guidance to become outstanding men.

A native San Franciscan, Dennis graduated from Polytech High School in the city, then enlisted in the U.S. Navy, where he served in Vietnam. He earned his AA degree at San Francisco State University and worked for 17 years at Pacific Bell. Dennis and Jay shared 23 years together and traveled extensively.

He and Jay made their Petaluma abode a gracious oasis for their surrogate sons and their many friends. Dennis is survived by his mother, Aurelia; brothers, Donald and Daniel; and legions of relatives, co-workers and friends. Gone, yet so missed.

COMMUNITY NEWS

O.J.

(Continued from page 13)

Nicole and Faye's closeness in Nicole and Faye's closeness in the weeks before the murders. But I just didn't add two and two together. I feel so stupid not to have realized what was going on. I knew they loved each other, but I didn't appreciate the true depth of those feelings."

Yet another of Nicole's

Yet another of Nicole's friends told the *Star* that she "confronted" Resnick about whether the two were lovers, and Resnick allegedly replied, "Yes. It is absolutely true."
Resnick also allegedly told two
other Nicole "inner" circle
friends and "a well known TV
comedy actress friend the truth

comedy actress friend the truth about her gay romance."

Although one friend report-edly said it was "all right" if it made Nicole happy, other friends "want to make one thing clear – that Nicole's love for Resnick did not turn her into a leshian. "She still was very lesbian. 'She still was very attracted to men,' said one. 'She loved being in the company of men. She loved being admired by men. But she was afraid of being around men because of O.J.'s insane jealousy.'"

According to the Star, Resnick went into the Exodus Recovery Clinic in Marina del Rey four days before the killings, and was there when she was informed of the murders. She has since been writing a book entitled *Nicole Brown* book entitled Nicole Brown Simpson: The Private Diary of a Life Interrupted, based on a journal Nicole allegedly gave her to keep as a "protective gesture." The book, dealing primarily with "spousal abuse," is due out in the next few weeks.

One of Nicole's friends is said to have broken the news of the lesbian relationship to

the lesbian relationship to Nicole's family six weeks after the murders. One of Resnick's friends told the *Star* that O.J. "didn't find out [about the lesbian affair] until a few weeks after his arrest. But none of us can be certain. To him, this is the greatest humiliation of all. Can you imagine how he feels? He was The King Of All His World. And he lost his Queen ... to another woman. That's a pret-ty hard blow for any man to take let alone someone with an ego

like O.J."

The B.A.R. has been unable to verify independently that Nicole Brown Simpson and Faye Resnick had a lesbian love affair. Attempts to reach Resnick were unsuccessful. Resnick were unsuccessful. Exodus Recovery Clinic says their policy of confidentiality prohibits them from comment-ing on whether or not Resnick was a patient there. Chiropractor Reichart did not return a phone call before press

District Attorney spokesperson Sandy Gibbons said she was not familiar with the story — "the *Star* is not on my reading list." She said the District Attorney's office is "not commenting on anything on the menting on anything on the Simpson case. We are not commenting on anything out of court." Asked if she knew if

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nyone had spoken to the D.A.'s anyone had spoken to the D.A.'s office about the affair, specifically prosecutor Marcia Clark, Gibson said, "They sure didn't talk to me. And I don't know and I'm not going to ask her [Clark] – she couldn't comment con it anyway."

on it anyway."

It is important to note that prior to jury selection, which started September 26, the defense, the prosecution, and the Los Angles Police Department have leaked infor-mation – sometimes skewed information – that they believe will help their side of the case. It is also important to note that supermarket tabloids such as the Star often buy information, unlike most mainstream news gathering operations and gay publications, which couldn't afford the practice anyway. While often the "bought" information may turn out to be

accurate, it is considered "taint-ed" in a court of law because, without voluntary independent corroboration, it is difficult to prove that the information wasprove that the information was-n't manufactured and rendered purely for monetary gain. Resnick, for instance, has apparently accepted a \$100,000 book advance, thereby making it unlikely that she would be called to testify – which some of her friends speculate is one reaher friends speculate is one reason why she is rushing into print before the trial.

However, courtesy of the ar - no doubt Geraldo and other tabloid shows will pick it up also – lesbians and gays have been unexpectedly and morbid-ly connected to the most publi-cized and scrutinized murder case in history.

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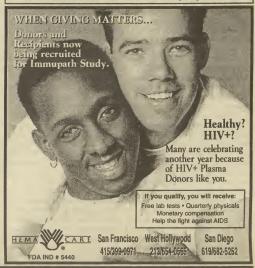
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Murder Visits the Sister Spirit Area

NGLTF Writes Attorney General, Urging Intervention

women out for a Saturday morning walk on October 8 discovered the bodies of gay men Robert Walters, 34, and Joseph Shoemake, 24, just north of the city limits of Laurel in Jones County, Mississippi. One body was lying across the railroad tracks; the other was lying beside them; both men had been shot in the head.

been shot in the head.

Early autopsy reports indicate the victims died of close range small caliber gunshot wounds to the head and eye.

Wanda Henson of Camp Sister Spirit, located about 15 miles from Laurel, told the Bay

Area Reporter the killings are symptomatic of the anti-gay cli-mate in the area. "All of this is a direct result of the negative feel-ings and animosities stirred up by Mississippians for Traditional Family Values," she

Henson and her lover Brenda "started getting phone [about Walters and caris (about watters and Shoemake) in the early morning hours of Saturday, even before the bodies were found," she told the Bay Area Reporter. "The two men were at a house party and left about midnight and weren't heard from anymore.

"You have to realize that there is no place to go, no place open for you to stop at, in that part of Mississippi. You go to a house party and you go home. When they didn't get home people began calling to look for them, afraid that something might have happened.
"And it did."

Only a few months ago, it seemed like the Hensons might have become easy homicide victims themselves: bullets were flying across the Camp Sister Spirit fence, telephone death Spirit fence, telephone death threats interrupted already sleepless nights, a bomb threat was delivered – over the radio, tires were ruined by Ninja spikes in the driveway, and Brenda was subjected to a high speed chase by a truckful of armed "good ol' boys" who tried to kill her by running her off the road at high speed. All in all, according to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, "over 64 incidents of violence, "over 64 incidents of violence, harassment, and intimidation have been committed against Camp Sister Spirit" – and all of it was attributed by local law enforcement to the Hensons' high strung imaginations and their desire to cause trouble for good, God-fearing folks in

It was not until Congressman Barney Frank got involved, and barriery Frank got involved, and set up hearings on the matter with the federal Community Relations Service, that the intimidation lessened, although the Hensons say it has not

stopped. The Department is working with the Department is working with the same Jones County Sheriff's Department that has been so ineffective in solving the Henson's problems on the double homicide, since investiga-tors don't know where the actu-al murders occurred; it is clear that the men were killed in were transported to the aban-



Denizens of Camp Sister Spirit in Ovett, Miss., walk along a path there.

doned railroad site.

According to the Brandon, Mississippi coroner's office, the bodies showed no signs of beating or sexual abuse, and police say no motive has been deter-mined, but Wanda Henson said

mined, but Wanda Henson said she places little faith in official reports and hurried autopsy findings in Jones County.

"I believe there's a police cover-up going on - this [pattern of quick, out-of-town autopsies] is the same thing they do when people are killed in the jail in Jones County: they get rid of 'em fast before the Feds can come in and investigate," she charged. charged.

charged.

"Gay men and lesbians in Mississippi are gripped with a terrible fear," said Wanda. "They won't come out publicly and say Robert and Joseph were victims of a gay-related hate crime, because the next logical question is 'So how do you know they were gay?"

"Their parents don't want it

"Their parents don't want it to be known, because of the shame and ostracism, and the sname and ostacism, and the police don't want to confirm it because it would corroborate what we've been saying has been happening down there, and it might bring in the Feds to

investigate."

None of the Mississippi None of the Mississippi police agencies called by the B.A.R. were willing to identify the victims as gay. In fact, they didn't want to talk at all: the Laurel Police were referring calls to the Jones County Sheriff's Department, "because we're not the lead agency," and the Sheriff's Department has no spokesperson except the Sheriff spokesperson except the Sheriff himself, Maurice Hooks – the man who, as the B.A.R. reported last November, personally start-ed a collection to cover the legal fees for any foe of the Hensons who was arrested for terrorizing vandalizing Camp Sister

Now, Henson said, "The

'G&L Friendly' organization in Gulfport – do you love that? It's a gay and lesbian community center, but they have to couch the name – has been inundated with calls and has had to set up services to assist with crisis services to assist with crisis

services to assist with crisis counseling over these murders.

"Gays and lesbians in Mississippi only call in crisis," Wanda asserts. "They're afraid of being found out. But if I've learned one thing during this siege we've been going through, it's that appropriate of the services of the services of the services." it's that everyone's closet is made of glass. You just think you're in the closet – and it allows the non-gay community to let the murders of gays and

lesbians go unnoticed.

Wanda says other violence is Wanda says other violence is still happening – and so is some gay people's denial: mysteriously, the four-year-old house of a lesbian perceived to be a supporter of Camp Sister Spirit was burned to the ground "and she's convinced it wasn't arson because she's a respected member of the volunteer fire department," Wanda said.

Wanda is still asking ques-

Wanda is still asking ques-tions about that fire and said she has several questions about the Friday night when the two men were murdered. "I want to know who was on duty and who was working the north end of the county. Since I've been in Sacramento I received information that the F.B.I. Gulfport asking questions about the murder -I think they need to be in Jones County going to

work.
"The significance of the deaths of Ray and Joe are not lost on Brenda and me," she said. "There was a ten-year difference in their ages – as there is between us; they were traveling in twos, which we always do

"The message is clear: there's no place to go and no place to hide – not for gay peo-ple – not in Mississippi."

GETTING HELP

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's execu-tive director, Peri Jude Radecic, has written Attorney General Janet Reno to urge immediate federal involvement in the case. "We plead with you and the divisions of the Department of Justice," the letter reads in part, "to take the following actions:

Community "1. The Community Relations Service should again be ordered to mediate between the gay and lesbian community and local law enforcement.

"2. The Federal Bureau of Investigation should monitor the investigations into these murders. I have no confidence in the ability of local law enforcement to adequately, and without anti-gay bias, investigative and document these anti-gay murders.

"3. The Department of Justice Civil Rights Division should investigate the murders as a violation of the civil rights of Robert Walters and Joe Shoemake.

"4. The Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Justice Civil Rights Division should investi-gate and issue a report as to why, after ten months of documented violence, harassment, and intimation – there have been no arrests. Why are civil rights violations allowed to continue?

"5. A representative of the "5. A representative of the Attorney General's office should be sent to Jones County to monitor the actions of Sheriff Maurice Hooks."

A copy was forwarded to the acting director of the Community Relations Service and the directors of the F.B.I. and the Justice Denartment's

and the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division. There had been no response from Reno by press time.





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Welcome to NORCland

The latest national sex survey, carried out by the National Opinion Research Center vey, carried out by the reatheract Opinion Research Center (NORC) at the University of Chicago, has been greeted with much skepticism. They reported a tame, asexual society, where 40 percent of the teenage boys never masturbate, where most women have no more than two women have no more than two sexual partners in their entire life, and where only three per-cent of the population is gay. "What planet do these people live on?" some ask. To answer that question, we take you today to NORCland, one of the nearer counties of the Twilight Zone ...

corge waddled happily into the kitchen, brandishing a heavy folder. "Today we release that big sex survey. Remember that one I had you all fill out?"

"Yes, dear," his wife Myra droned dutifully as she pecked out the window. She could see the milk truck catty-cornered across the intersection. She flicked the blinds wide open for just a moment, so that they flashed in the morning light, and then shut them again. The milkthen shut them again. The milk-man honked once, which meant han holiced once, which means he would drive by one last time in ten minutes, and sped away. She carried a plate of fried eggs and toast over to George. "Geez, I hope lard butt gets out of the house fast this morning!" she sighed to herself sighed to herself.

nouse last tins morning: she sighed to herself.

"Well, we sure showed those dirty-minded pinko sociology types this time! Americans turn out to be as wholesome and pure as Ozzie and Harriet," George enthused. He froze when his son Ted slouched into the kitchen. "Young man," he demanded, "have you been pierced?"

Terror-stricken, Ted clapped a hand over his left nipple. Then seeing his father's gaze fixed on his ear, he relaxed and forced his hand up to it. "Oh, this? Geez, Dad, I did that six weeks ago. Didn't I, Mom?" She murmured vague assent while secretly pouring most of the coffee down the drain. No refills for Georgie

this morning.
"What is that, anyway?"
George asked, leaning forward to peer at the tiny stud. "It looks like a Greek letter."

like a Greek letter."

"It's a lambda, Dad. It's kind of a fraternity thing."

"Well, it seems pretty sissy to me," he grumbled. "The reason I sent you to a nice suburban junior college instead of some degenerate university was to keep you clear of that sort of trash."

Suburban cesspool
George was diverted by the bouncing entrance of his daughter Verona. "Good morning, Daddy!" she burbled as she kissed him on an eggy, fleshy cheek and patted him on his iron-gray, crew-cut hair. "I need you to sign some school stuff for me," she said, offering him a clipboard with an official look-

Commentary

ing letter on it.
"What is it 'Rona, something about the junior prom?" he

asked.

"Actually, it's a permission Actually, it's a permission slip allowing me to skip the 'sex education' section of the home ec class," she explained, plopping into a chair and pouring cereal into a bowl. "We have to go unless we bring a letter from

ou inless we oring a retter from our parents."
"Himph!" George snorted.
"Damn degenerates, forcing their filth on innocent youth, turning our high schools into cesspools." He emphatically signed the letter and gave it back

signed the letter and gave it back to his daughter.
"Thanks, Dad." She snatched it up and skipped away to her bedroom. There she carefully pecled away the sex-ed letter to reveal a parental permission slip allowing her full use of the school's reproductive health serschool's reproductive health services program, now properly and boldly signed by her father. She carefully shredded the cover letter and sealed the signed one in an envelope. For the past couple years, she'd been stealing her mother's birthcontrol pills, replacing them with Tic-Tacs. But this began to feel risky after her mother start-ed getting milk deliveries six days a week, and she needed her

own source.

She paused in the bathroom to palm a handful of Myra's Fiorinols, which she could swap for cigarettes at school, grabbed her bag, and strolled out the door. "Gotta run! Have fun

everyone! See ya later!"
"I gotta rush myself," George aid, stuffing a last piece of toast in his mouth and pushing away from the table. "They'll be all sorts of press types around the Research Center today, to cover the survey. I might be home a little late tonight, Myra."

little late tonight, Myra."

"That's okay, honey," she said, hustling Ted to his feet and pushing his backpack into his hands. "You'd better run along to school now yourself," she said, hastily pushing her menfolk out the door and dead-bolting it behind them. She waited ing it behind them. She waited until she heard their cars pull away, then languorously pulled the kitchen blinds all the way open. She opened the cupboard, pulled a small bottle of Kahlua cut, from behind, a box of out from behind a box of Hamburger Helper, and poured some into the glass of milk abandoned by her son. In only a few minutes, she would get some "special delivery."

Urban stickiness

George drove steadily from e distant suburbs of

NORCland to the university. It NORCland to the university. It was an Anglo enclave entirely enclosed by Chicago's largely African-American South Side, a virtual ivory tower. After years of experimentation George had determined a route that minimized his exposure to the mized his exposure to the "mixed zone," as he thought of it, to only six blocks between the freeway and the "safe zone" incessantly patrolled by univer-

"Terrible the way these peo-ple destroy a neighborhood," he muttered. NORC was constantly being criticized because all their studies for the past 40 years had, for some reason, consistently undercounted blacks, Latinos and Asians. The sociology boys could be really snotty about it.
"If your samples are so damn
good, why don't they ever come
close to reflecting the ethnic
ratios found in the actual popu-

ratios found in the actual popu-lation?" they always asked.
The real reason was that George, and most of the other interviewers, would never dream of getting out of their cars (company cars, large pricey American sedans) in any ethni-cally mixed neighborhood. But they preferred to let their own statisticians, contracted from the Economics Department, refute such scurrilous charges.
George parked across from

George parked across from e Regenstein Library, although it was several blocks from the Research Center. He flashed his ID to the guard and put on a dignified "I'm here to do important research" look. He took the elevator to the basement and, after carefully scanning the empty hall in both directions, scuttled into the

men's room.

The head statistician of NORC was, coincidentally, NORC was, coincidentally, parked in the last stall, debating with himself. He had to turn in his reliability. his reliability coefficients today on the big sex survey and hadn't even started them. On the other hand, mid-terms started this week and the tearoom would be week and the tearboin would be hopping before lunch, swarming with horny boys keyed up from studying for exams. "I suppose I could just fudge the data. If you could just fudge the data. If you tell 'em what they want to hear, they never question it," he thought. Duty was still contending with desire when George thrust his penis through the glory hole and effectively ended the debate. "Gotta remember to fuck up the raw data disks somehow... mmm ... cover my tracks ... yum! ... not much chance of getting caught, really ... aaah, that feels good."

Twenty minutes later George

... aaah, that feels good."

Twenty minutes later George sauntered out of the men's room, sprinted to the stairwell, and then exited the building at a dignified pace. He would be just in time for the big press conference. Spreading the good word was, he decided, a sacred duty, and he was proud to be part of it. He marched into the Research Center glowing with the Holy Spirit – and only a slight stickiness in his BVDs.

Gay Lawmaker **Discloses Anonymous Death Threat**

'The Inevitable Result of the Fervor Whipped Up by Right-Wing Groups'

United Press International

Representative Glen Maxey, the only openly gay member of the Texas Legislature, said Friday, October 7 he received a death threat from an anonymous caller who said he would "vote with a bullet" in next month's election.

Maxey blamed the threat on fellow lawmakers and a conservative student group at the University of Texas, who he accused of inciting anti-gay sen-

Maxey, D-Austin, told Texas Department of Public Safety investigators that he received the death threat at his capitol office Tuesday evening. In a letter to House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, Maxey said, "I believe this death threat is the inevitable result of the fervor whipped up by right-wing groups and some members of the House."

Maxey said conservative state Representative Warren Chisum, D-Pampa, recently

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The World Health Organization estimates 1.7 billion people – a third of the world's population – is infected with mycobacterium tuberculosis, which causes the disease and claims 3 million lives worldwide every week.

which causes the disease and claims 3 million lives worldwide every year.

According to New Delhi's Ministry of Health, India accounts for 20 percent of the deaths – or 600,000 people. Another growing concern among Indian doctors is the link between TB and HIV.

Doctors in India fear as AIDS ravages parts of the country the spread of TB will worsen sits.

One estimate by a Bombay-based AIDS research foundation says at least 1 million Indians already have HIV, and the number could spiral upward to more than 30 million by the end of the

decade.

"HIV infection and tuberculosis are synergetic," says Dr. L.M. Nath, Dean and professor of Community Medicine at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences. "HIV breaks down the immune system, and the body is open to the tuberculosis bacteria."

– Hema Arya, United Press International

Religious Violence Hits Mexican State

A mayor in the southern Mexican state of Chiapas resigned Tuesday, October 4, following charges that he ordered the lynching of three local people who had converted from Catholicism to Protestantism.

The state legislature accepted the resignation of Demirges Lover Pairs former mayor in the town of

Domingo Lopez Ruiz, former mayor in the town of San Juan Chamula.

Five days earlier, two men and a woman in the town were killed by a mob of some 200 Catholics armed with pistols, rifles, and sticks, according to

one of two women who survived the attack.

The local press in San Cristobal de las Casas said there was rising tension in the city, where several hundred Roman Catholics and evangelicals were arming in apparent preparation for more religious feuding.

A year ago, an estimated 1,000 inhabitants of San Juan Chamula were expelled after many of them converted to Protestantism, although 600 of them returned in August to nearby communities.

- United Press International

Japan To Join AIDS Fight

The Japanese government will assist four developing countries in creating programs to combat AIDS by sending a team of medical experts to

Africa and Asia, probably by the end of the year, government officials say.

The team will visit Egypt, Kenya, the Philippines, and Indonesia, where they will conduct fact-finding missions in an effort to determine

what kinds of projects are most appropriate for these countries.

The plan is part of a \$12 billion aid package between Japan and the United States announced in February, U.S. experts may participate in the missions as well.

Although the incidence of AIDS is still relatively minor in Japan, the number of reported cases is gradually increasing. The Tenth International Conference on AIDS was held in Yokohama, Japan

in August.

Among the types of assistance that the government may provide are the building of condom factories in Indonesia and nursing schools in Kenyá. Expansion of pediatric facilities in Egypt is also a possibility, government officials said.

Officials said these programs are in line with a new philosophy of development assistance that

puts more emphasis on supplying expertise rather

The government may send a team to experts to India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh later, officials

related development, the Education Ministry has announced plans to set up a nation-wide database and computer network on AIDS to provide information to students and teachers in Japan.

- United Press International

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Polish Gays Seek **Equal Rights**

by Zbigniew Idziakowski

WARSAW (UPI) Representatives of gay rights groups in Poland released a report Tuesday, October 4 that described widespread institudescribed widespread institu-tional and social discrimination against gay and lesbian citizens, mainly due to a lack of appro-priate constitutional protections. The umbrella organization Lambda cited 40 documented

cases of discrimination that took place at universities, working places, within families, and in other situations, but said there were many more. The report also listed a number of cases when people where beaten up

Ryszard Madetko, chairman of Lambda, was himself thrown out of a workers' hotel in which he was residing in Krakow a few days after he participated in a television talk show about homosexuals.

"I was said to leave my room "I was said to leave my room in 24 hours, with no reasons given," Madetko said in an interview. "I call such action hidden discrimination, which our society so often uses against people with a homosexual orientation."

Lambda estimates there may be as many as 2 million gay and

be as many as 2 million gay and lesbian people in Poland, an overwhelmingly Catholic nation of nearly 40 million. The authors of the report said the majority don't want to admit

their homosexual orientation.

"First of all, the aim of the

report is to give just a hint of what is going on within our soci-ety and point out that social and institutional discrimination is an big problem," Madetko said.

He said lesbians and gays have trouble renting housing, there is no sexual education in schools. and education about HIV erro-neously indicates that only gays

are susceptible to the virus.

Lambda has issued an open letter to President Lech Walesa demanding that Poland's new constitution have an article forbidding discrimination on the basis of sexual preferences. Madetko said that discussion

on gay and lesbian rights is very difficult in Poland.

"The main opposition comes from the Catholic Church, whose thousand-year tradition in Poland has maintained a vision of homosexuals as sick and depraved people," he said.

Lambda is five years old and has 70 regular members. Three

monthly papers are published in Poland covering gay issues. Lambda collects signatures

to be handed to parliament to be handed to parliament backing the idea of constitu-tional protection – not only for gays but also for bisexuals and heterosexuals.

heterosexuals.

"I may also discriminate against people of different sexual preferences if I were the chief of a company and would refuse to employ someone whose preferences are different than my own," he added.

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Gabbert

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Mannino said that said he had never seen a condition like Se-bring's in all his experience as a forensic mental health spe-

Mannino says Sebring dismissed the alleged threats against Gabbert. "He said, 'Oh Davis, that's all a bunch of bullshit. All I meant when I said I was going to take action against Gabbert was that I was going to sue him in court. If I was seriously going to kill Jim Gabbert I would have gone to the Tenderloin and got a gun for \$50," Mannino recounted.

Mannino said that he then asked Sebring why he tried to buy "such a large caliber gun" at the Cotati gun shop and Sebring's next answer – and "blatantly psychotic" demeanor

– unnerved him.

"I think that if I were going

"I think that if I were going to kill him, I would want to do it with a big gun," Mannino says Sebring told him.

The comment, and the manner in which it was made, were the basis for Mannino's decision to contact Gabbert and the authorities about what he considered to be the serious danger posed by Sebring.

posed by Sebring.

"It was clear there was a split in his thinking," Mannino said.

But Sebring, according to news accounts, insists that he never threatened Gabbert "except with legal threats" if he didn't settle and tried to buy the gun for his own protection and "target practice."

Sharon Sebring declined to discuss specifics of the case with the Bay Area Reporter, citing pending legal action.

want it all to come out in court," she said. "I hope justice is served. I know my son is inno-cent. I believe the truth always comes out." Sebring will be in court this

week for the setting of a date for a preliminary hearing in the Assistant District Attorney Bill Fazio told the B.A.R. that he

believed the evidence supports believed the evidence supports
the charges against Sebring.
Assistant Public Defender
Terence Howzell said that there
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were many inconsistencies in Gabbert's statements to the media, and that he is convinced of his client's innocence.
Gabbert says that he is "frustrated and outraged" about Howzell's comments to the press regarding the case, particularly the statement that other seconds have stepned forward. people have stepped forward with allegations similar to

with allegations similar to Sebring's.

He called Howell's comments libel and "actionable."

Howzell told the Bay Area Reporter that he is reviewing the offer of private investigator John Nazarian, offering his service to the defense for the token fee of \$1. fee of \$1.

Nazarian said that the "case reeks of Rock Hudson and Liberace, and several other wealthy gay men who have taken on younger gay men and used and abused them."

O'Sullivan dismissed Sebring as a "nut" and said Gabbert had been in hiding

Gabbert had been in hiding because of the threats Sebring made against his life.

"There's not a chance that he will be acquitted. He's facing prison or probation with extremely serious restrictions," he told the Bay Area Reporter. ▼

HEALTH AND COMMUNITY

ACT UP San Francisco: determined to end the AIDS Crisis thru direct action. Meets first & third Thursday every month, 7pm, 3rd floor, Women's Bldg., 3343 18th St. Write PO Box 14844, SF 94114 or call 6777-7988.

ACT UP SF Forum on Cell-Mediated Immunity and DNCB: Free, Sun., Oct.16, 3pm. The Ashkenaz, 1317 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 954-8896.

AIDS Health Project: Individual psychotherapy services for people with HIV. Call for intake appt. 476-3902.

AIDS Memorial Grove: Monthly volunteer workday on Sat., Oct. 15, 9am-3pm. Middle & Bowling Green Drives, Golden Gate Park. Info: 750-8340.

The Alternative Family Project: low-fee family counseling service available for lesbian, gay and bisexual families. Call 550-2621.

Bay Positives: Provides recreational and emotional support for people up to 26 years old living with HIV. Ongoing support groups meet weekly. 487-1616.

Campaign for Proposition 186, the Single Payer Initiative: mobilization on Oct. 15, 10:30am at Local 261 Union Hall, 3271 18th St, Info: 824-1936.

East Bay HIV/AIDS 12 Step Support Group: Ongoing. Open to all with HIV who have experience with any 12 step program. Mon. eves., 6:15pm. Info: Paul (510) 465-4311.

Gay Men's STD/VD Clinic: Testing & treatment by & for gay men, free, every Sun. 5-7 pm. HIV antibody anonymous testing for women & men 12 or older, every Sun., 5-7 pm. 2339 Durant Ave at Dana, Berkeley. Wheelchair accessible. 644-0425 (non-voice TDD 548-8238 for disabled).

GLAAD, the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, seeks volunteers interested in community outreach. Training sessions will be held throughout the month at 1360 Mission St., Suite 200, SF. GLAAD hotline: 861-2244.

Green Party Candidates Night: Free, Tues., Oct. 18, 7:45pm. Women's Bldg., 3543 18th St. 255-2940.

Healing Alternatives Foundation maintains public HIV/AIDS Treatment & Resource Library. Also Buyer's Club for health products. 1748 Market St. Info: 626-4053.

Healing Circle: Begun as an HIV support group, now a space of healing & growth for all men & women. Meets every Thurs. at The San Francisco Center for Living, 4054 18th St. 7-9 pm. 252-1666.

Hearing Loss and Communication: A Workshop for People with HIVI/AIDS, on three Sats., 1-4pm, Oct. 29, Nov. 12, Dec. 3. Donation. Hearing Society for the Bay Area. Call: Jerry Friedman, 693-5870 or 834-1005

HIV/AIDS Services at Operation Concern: Ongoing support groups, individual and couples counseling, drop-in groups every week. Issues for HIV- men, men with AIDS/ARC, partners and survivors. For information/intake, call Jill, 626-7000 x199. Operation Concern, 1853 Market (at Guerrero), SF.

Home Care Companions offers a free practical skills training for care-providers at home for PWAs. Oct. 19,20,21,24&25, 7pm, at Davies Medical Center. Advance registration required: call Celi Adams, 824-3269.

Immune Enhancement Project treats persons with HIV-related illness using a program of traditional Chines medicine and herbal supplements. Info: 252-8711.

Intergenerational Workshop for Playwrights by Off-Broadway playwright George Birimisa, sponsored by Operation Concern and Gay and Lesbian Outreach to

Elders. Mondays, 6pm. Info: 431-6254.

Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade Committee: General membership meets Oct. 16, 5pm. 205 13th St, Suite 3200. Info: 864-FREE.

Lyon-Martin Women's Health Center: Primary health care for women by women, with emphasis on the health care needs of lesbians. Services include general medical care, gynecology, acupuncture, lesbian parenting, AIDS counseling & safe sex info (safe sex kits for women available). 1748 Market St near Valencia, SF. Suite 201. 565-7667.

MCC Chronic/Life-Threatening Support Group: Every Wed., 12:30-2:30pm, in the MCC chapel, 150 Eureka St. Free, drop-in. Call 863-4434.

Most Holy Redeemer AIDS Support Group offers ongoing support groups for the HIV community. Also for partners, friends and family. No fees. Call Jeff at 863-1581.

National Association of People With AIDS Fax is a fax-on-demand system which provides free and up-to-date information on HIV funding, grants, insurance, benefits, legal issues and more. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Call NAPWA FAX: 202-789-2222.

National Association for Visually Handicapped helps people with partial eyesight by supplying visual aids, a free service for SF residents who are HIV+ and losing eyesight. Call for appt.: 221-3201.

Native American AIDS Project: Support, resources and advocacy for Native Americans/ Alaskan Natives and their families affected by HIV. 1540 Market St., Suite 425. Info/intake: 522-2460.

Negative Men Dealing With Positive Partners: A support group in Central Marin. Call Jok: 499-8673.

People with disabilities who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender: Support group at Independent Living Resource Center, SF. Meets weekly, free. Info: Katie 863-0581.

Planetree Health Resource Center Up-to-date medical info to assist in making informed health choices. Extensive consumer health library, current medical lit clippings & health bookstore. Also support groups, health information service by mail. 2040 Webster St. 923-3680.

Positive Eating with HIV: A look at diet and nutrition in the face of AIDS, presented by Haight Ashbury Free Medical Clinic HIV Early Intervention Program on Tues., Oct. 18, 6:30pm. MCC Sanctuary, 150 Eureka St. Info: 487-5638.

Project Inform AIDS Treatment Hotline training on Sat. & Sun., Oct. 22-23, 10am-4pm. Info: Jane Levikow, 558-8669.

Project Open Hand provides free home-delivered hot meals and free groceries to anyone with symptomatic HIV in the Bay Area. Various ethnic and restricted diets available, plus free nutritional counseling. No waiting list. Call 1-800-551-MEAL.

Qi Gong for people with HIV: \$1 per class. Mon., Wed. 11am; Thurs. 6pm. American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Community Clinic, 450 Connecticut St. Info: 282-9603.

Quan Yin Healing Arts Center Non-profit clinic provides affordable acupuncture & Chinese herbal therapies; treatment for people living with HIV, chronic hepatitis, PMS & other gynecological imbalances, Stop Smoking Clinic. Tues.-Fri., 1-6:30 pm, Sat. 9 am-3 pm. 861-4964.

Radical Women: Business mtg, 2nd & 4th Thurs. of the month. 7pm. Valencia Hall, 523-A Valencia St. 864-1278.

Relationship Boundaries: Free workshop, Tues., Oct.

18, 7:30pm. Psychic Horizons, 2240 Geary Blvd. 346-7906.

Safer Sex Education 933 Harrison is available for Safer Sex Education workshops and community outreach programs at no charge to responsible community groups. Info: write to Community HIV Prevention Program, 933 Harrison, SF 94107.

San Francisco Women Against Rape will hold a rape crisis counselor training for women of color only in November. Call Jamie, 861-2024.

San Mateo County AIDS Program: provides care for individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS. Volunteer Resources Coordinator: 573-2488. Information: 573-2588.

Santa Clara County needs AIDS speakers. Aris and the Cal. Dept. of Ed. are sponsoring a training, Oct. 15 & 16, for people with HIV or AIDS to speak in class-rooms. Call Chris, 334-3845.

Sexuality and HIV Therapy Group: 12-week group for HIV + gay men exploring the impact of HIV on their sexual behaviors. Sliding scale. Now forming at Hartford Zen Center. Info: 647-4716.

Shantl Project's Latino Program: specifically serves Latino men, women, adolescents and children infected with and affected by HIV. Provides help with emotional peer counseling and practical support. For more information, call 864-CARE.

Spectrum Center for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Concerns in Marin County has groups to bring our community together. Call 457-1115 (ext. 205, Gordon; ext. 206, Nancy) for information.

Stop AIDS Meeting for men 50 & older, free, one-time, informal meeting to talk about safe sex. Info/reg: 621-7177.

Substance Abuse Counseling for Lesbians and Gay Men at Operation Concern. Operation Recovery provides affordable, effective treatment. Drop-in groups: for women, 7-8 pm Mondays; for men, 7-8 pm Thursdays. For information

Sumt'n Ta Say: SF AIDS Foundation seeks contribu-tions by 18-25 gay and bi guys with something to say about being young & queer in the age of AIDS. For a new youth HIV resource guide. Cash prizes. 985-5296.

Veterans Affairs Medical Center SF seeks volunteers to join its AIDS/ARC Volunteer Program. Volunteers visit patients in hospital and help in simple care tasks. Volunteers for AIDS Home Care and Phone Buddy Program are also needed. Contact Ronald Hunt, AIDS Volunteer Program Coordinator, VA Medical Center, 4150 Clement St., SF 94121, 750-2144.

Visiting Nurses and Hospice of San Francisco: Bereavement Group for Partners of People with AIDS and Multiple Loss Group forming. Call for information: 861-6959 ext. 501.

Women's Action Coalition is an open aliance of women committed to direct action on issues affecting the rights of all women. WAC meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 pm (women only), 1360 Mission St., Suite 200. WAC Hotline: 255-6352.

Women's Cancer Resource Center: Support, resource & advocacy group for Bay Area women with cancer, their friends, families & doctors. Provides individual peer counseling & drop-in support groups, newsletter, educational programs, legal workshop & more. 548-9272 or 548-WCRC. 3023 Shattuck Ave.,

Send Health and Community Listings to: Calendar Editor, Bay Area Reporter, 395 Ninth Street, San Francisco, CA 94103.

Mondelli

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left where he was staying on Sunday night, but he would not reveal where that was. Police have two composite

drawings of a primary suspect, based on the descriptions of three witnesses. These have been videly circulated and printed in

One of the drawings is the person Wenger was seen with Thursday night. The other, which is similar, is the person he was seen with on Monday the day of his death.

Police have obtained Department of Motor Vehicle photographs of a suspect who has some similarities to the composite drawing of what inspectors are calling "the Thursday Guy."

However police inspectors

However, police inspectors told the *B.A.R.* that when bartenders who had seen the suspect with Wenger were shown

photos of five or six similar-looking individuals – including the prime suspect – they failed

the prime suspect – they failed to pick out the expected suspect. The person with whom police would most like to speak, but who has not come forward, is the "Monday guy." A bartender placed him with Wenger at 11:30 a.m., giving money to Wenger from a large roll of bills, six hours before the young man's dismembered remains. man's dismembered remains were found in a dumpster. Police estimate it took the killer two to three hours to meticu-lously cut up the body, which places the individual with Wenger within three hours of his death.

ns death.

A \$10,000 reward has been offered in the Wenger case, for information leading to arrest and conviction of person or persons responsible. ▼

If you have information, call S.F. Police Inspectors Mike Johnson or Alex Fagan at (415) 553-1145.

Death Threat

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made anti-gay statements during an address to the UT branch of the Young Conservatives of Texas. In his address, Chisum voiced support for student efforts to block state funds for a series of AIDS prevention workshops.
Although Maxey said he

Although Maxey said he was not "connecting Warren Chisum with this death threat," he said such anti-gay rhetoric "only gives license to young adults to decide that they can take care of a "gay. can take care of a 'gay problem' by whatever means. When a conservative public official continues to use that kind of rhetoric, it fuels this kind of reaction." During a Democratic rally on the UT campus two weeks ago, Maxey said he heard anti-gay insults yelled by members of the Young Conservatives

Chisum said although he disagrees with Maxey's sexual orienta-tion, he does not condone violence against homosex-

uals.

He said, "I think it's a sad thing that [Maxey] would think I'd have a part in this kind of activity toward him. It's never been my purpose, and I'd never wish harm on him."

DPS spokeswoman Laureen Chernow said there have been other cases of death threats against lawmakers, but such threats are uncommon. She

threats are uncommon. She said the threat against Maxey is being investigated.



Openly gay Texas Rep. Glen Maxey believes his death threat "is the inevitable result of the fervor whipped up by right-wing groups and some members of the House.

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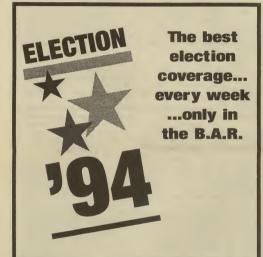
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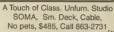
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Frasier (Kelsey Grammer, right) doesn't know Duran (Eric Lutes) is gay.

Monica Palacios Plays Josie's

Chicana Comica Seeks Director

by Erin Blackwell

ue to technological advances and economic reversals, audiences are all too accustomed to solo performances. In the good old days, before movies, radio and television, before movies, radio and television, when entertainment was necessarily live, there was no such thing as a one-woman show. When a way-past-her-prime Sarah Bernhardt stood propped-up onstage overcompensating for a wooden leg, there were plenty of supporting players, sets and costumes to enhance the star's innumerable farewell performances. That was theater. (While vaudeville featured solo acts, they were invariably interspersed with dancers and comedy teams.)

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Robin Tichane's Passage of Time.

Tichane and Linwood's 'Citizen Pan'

Mortal Runes

by Roberto Friedman

isual Aid, the non-profit agency which gives grants to artists living with AIDS and other life-threatening illnesses, has bestowed its first John Caldwell Memorial Awards on installation artist Elliott Linwood and printmaker Robin Tichane. Named for the SE Macour of Meden Attacks the for the SF Museum of Modern Art curator who

died last year, the award carries with it a certain poignancy, for Caldwell was a pre-eminent force in the Bay Area arts scene whose support for emerging and innovative artists, including Visual Aid grantees, came from a real love and under-standing of contemporary art. Being chosen recipients of the award that bears his name is, for Linwood and Tichane, a considerable honor

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OUT THERE

by Oscar Ritter

just want to say that it was damn courageous of Ebony to place that nice lesbian couple on the cover of their current issue. Oh wait! That's Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley. Flip open the pages and hear Jackson 'gush and giggle about his desire for family ("I want to have more children than my father has." That'd be nine!) and his marriage proposal to The King's daughter. "Well, first I said to her (while on the phone), 'If I asked you to marry me, would you?' She said, 'Of course!' Then there was silence. I said, 'Excuse me, I've got to go to the bathroom.' So I came back. I didn't know quite what to say." Nothing! Say nothing! Michael, we wax nostalgic for the days when the only thing known about you was your peculiar attraction to primates.

peaking of primates, it seems that Hollywood is going to continue churning out more uninspired repeats from our pop culture past. According to sources, Warner Brothers is geared for a remake of the sci-ficlassic Planet of the Apes, starring who else but the big guerrilla himself, Arnold Schwarzenegger. Yeah, more dumb astronauts dangling naked in a cage! Question: why are right-wing Republicans always attracted to the leading role in this film? (Remember the scantily clad but earnest Chuck Heston in the original 1968 opus?)

nd in more casting news, word is out that Bette Midler, who scored big praise and ratings for her televised Gypsy, is looking to remake Mame or Annie Get Your Gun. Stay tuned.

uck and cover, folks, 'cause "Camille's got a gun!" In the October issue of Movieline, author/professor Camille Paglia, self-proclaimed "lesbian amazon queen," blasts her way through a rapid-fire interview as she brutalizes everyone from Madonna ("Madonna's a terrible actress. It's a tragedy to me. She has no business going into acting"), to Julia Roberts ("I don't get her. There's no deep sensuality to her. She's a perky little girl. I hate perky"), to Jodie Foster ("[She's] a very PC feminist, the kind Camille Paglia does not like. Don't be preaching to us about your stupid feminist rhetoric"). And then there's Sharon Stone: "I hope she doesn't say, 'I've done that Whores of Babylon routine, I've got to have a serious script to show my other sides." I don't want to see her other sides!"

efore concluding, La Camille took a quick swipe at the entertainment industry's obsessive red-ribbon wearing. "It's obscene. You can be perfectly sympathetic to AIDS without the self-advertisement. This has got to stop. The movie industry has never dealt honestly with AIDS, but they make sure they've got their red ribbons on." With that salvo, Camille tips her hat and boldly rides off into the sunset.

amille is not the only person spouting redribbon backlash these days. At the recent



Safe Sex Video Awards at the Castro Theatre, comedian/host Mark Davis marched proudly onto the stage wearing a hot white and gold lame number, sans the red ribbon. After introducing himself, he turned to the energetic crowd and said, "I

don't want to wear a fashion accessory that trivializes my grief." The audience went nuts with applause.

ith the holiday season just around the corner, it's time once again for the barrage of Christmas albums from that group of likely suspects. Disco goddess Donna Summer's Christmas Spirit and Snow Fall: The Christmas Album, by hip-to-be-square Tony Bennett, are now on shelves at your local record store. Frank Sinatra's coming out with Duets II (Nov. 22), a collaboration with such divas as Linda Ronstadt, Lena Horne and Patti LaBelle, among others. Stay tuned for the network TV special, a la Perry Como.

ey, their lips were sealed, but not anymore, because on Oct. 18, those fab '80s chicks, The Go-Go's, will release a greatest hits album with three new songs! Relive those glamorous Reagan years and snatch up Return to the Valley of the Go-Go's. They go on tour this fall and again in the spring.

nd a final word on the music front — if you only have \$15 left to your name, skip that can of hash over at Safeway and hightail it to Tower Records for the hottest CD in town: If 1 Were a Carpenter, a selection of Karen and Richard Carpenter's most tormented melodies rerecorded by some of today's hippest bands. Listen to artists like The Cranberries ("Close to You"), 4 Non-Blondes ("Bless the Beasts and the Children") and Grant Lee Buffalo ("We've Only Just Begun"), as they belt out these heart-wrenching tunes that sound more like suicide notes than lyrics. But with the memorable '70s so in vogue, these little goodies are going like hot cakes. So far it's the 10th best-selling CD at Tower this week.

Nice lesbian couple, or hets from hell?



"Jodie Foster is a very PC feminist."



"Madonna has no business going into acting."



Camille doesn't want to see Sharon's "other side."

Rossini's 'Otello'

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lovers live for nights like last Tuesday (October 4) when Rossini's Otello opened at the San Francisco

It was an evening when mere high C's went almost unnoticed in an avalanche of notes even higher. There were more good, solid high D's that one night nigher. There were more good, solid high D's that one night than one hears in an entire season at the opera. There was even a high E natural (and a good one) from Craig Estep as lago. But what made the evening so very special was that none of this stratospheric vocalism was just empty display. Without exception, the singers used their dazzling performances to convey the music's enormous passion, proving once again that Rossini's serious operas can be just as emotionally gripping as those of any other composer.

Every bit as impressive was conductor Patrick Summers, who managed to lead a taut yet buoyant and stylish performance, one that allowed the singers to caress and mold their lines and even embellish spontaneously (something heard all

neously (something heard all evening and which made everyone on stage and in the pit just that much more involved with the performance). It is rare to find a conductor this good who obviously does not find such repertoire beneath him. If the gods are kind, Summers will conduct a lot more bel canto opera in SF.

Sensational singing

As Otello, Chris Merritt was in much better form than he was opening night last season in Verdi's Vespri. His large, masculine voice rang commanding-ly throughout its range with no sign of strain at either end. His soft, often poignant singing, in a range more often associated

with baritones than tenors, was a pleasant surprise, and few tenors can hurl coloratura with such slancio. For once, many of those Rossini runs and trills sounded like the perfect way for Military Commander Otello to discipline recalcitrat army reconsti

recalcitrant army recruits.

Soprano Cecilia Gasdia's Desdemona was riveting.
Though she was occasionally a
bit off pitch at the very top of her voice, these minor lapses were probably due to her heavy cold (no announcement of her indisposition was made). Far more important was her total performance. She was Desdemona and our hearts ached for her.

The surprise of the evening was the local debut of tenor Bruce Ford as Rodrigo. In Rossini's opera, Rodrigo's is a much larger part than Iago's, and Ford made the most of it, turning Rodrigo into a sympathetic guy. His smallish voice is a very beautiful one. It is even from top to bottom, projected nicely, and we need to hear it often at the War Memorial. Given all the fiendish ornamencriven all the flendish ornamen-tation Rossini asked of Rodrigo, and which Ford supplied, per-haps it is curmudgeonly to ask for more. But in his second act aria, the repetitions of "Ah come mai non senti" would be even more effective embellished (and embellished differently each time if he wants to be really stylish about it).

ish about it).

Mika Shigematsu was able in the difficult but rather thankless role (there's no aria) of Emilia. Hong-Shen Li was good as the Gondolier, but Kevin Langan seemed a bit pressed by the floridness of Elmiro's line. Of the seven male roles in Rossini's Otello, six are for tenor. Given the impressive vocal resources the SF Opera mustered for Otello, it would be a crime not to try Rossini's Armida (six tenors again), or Donna Del Lago

(which requires a mere three). Only, please, keep producer Laurie Feldman away from future producing assignments.

Ghastly mess on stage

Feldman's production of Otello (sets by Gerard Howland) is a disgrace. It fights the music, it fights the emotion and drama of the piece, and it is both pretentious and insulting to the intelligence of the audience.

the intelligence of the audience. When a producer cannot le the overture be played by itself but must provide some visual distraction for the audience, that distraction for the audience, that is a sure sign that Trouble Is Ahead. For Otello, Feldman has provided five mimes on stilts, known as Fratelli Bologna, to wander around giving us stock melodramatic poses. Not content to ruin the overture with such nonsense, Feldman brings them back over and over again, often at the most inappropriate times. For example, Rossini wrote a wonderful, long introduction to accompany Desdemona's

accompany Desdemona's entrance, one that beautifully sets up the emotional tone of her first music. The ravishing melody is almost a concerto for French horn, and when played as well as it was by William Klingelhoffer on opening night, no one in the audience could fail to be moved. Alas, Feldman trusted neither Rossini nor Gasdia (who is quite an accomplished actress) and so treated the music as mere accompani-ment for her stilt walkers. Ditto Gasdia's great scene and aria in act two, which was upstaged by a couple of the Fratelli dueling on the other side of the stage



Cecilia Gasdia and Chris Merritt in Otello

Even Desdemona's death was an occasion to bring them back on stage (as confetti fell from the sky and an image of a great ring of intestines or something was projected onto the back of

But even more serious than the reprehensible production is that the powers that be at the SF Opera encouraged it. Why is it so difficult for the administra-tion of our local opera company to trust the art form it is sup-posed to be serving? When will

it stop trying to destroy opera under the guise of economy? It need not take great sums of money to mount opera effectively. It does take creativity and, most of all, vision, commodities that seem to be in distressingly short supply at the War Memorial Opera House.

Editor's Note: Otello contin-ues in repertory through October 28. For tickets and information call (415) 864-3330.

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Cukor Revisited

George Cukor, Master of Elegance by Emanuel Levy; Morrow, \$25

This biography of George Cukor provides a key element missing from Patrick McGilligan's fine 1991 effort. The latter's George Cukor: A Double Life presented a fascinating glimpse into the gay director's life, but offered little analysis of how he executed his craft. Although both books scrutinize Cukor's technique in dealing with actors, Levy's examines more closely the construction of the films themselves. The passages on A Double Life and Adam's Rib and other films draw from previous studies of Cukor's work and nicely detail the logic behind his aesthetic decisions.

Levy's book covers much of the same ground as McGilligan's, to which he makes occasional veiled references. The critic and profes-

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Much research and interviewing clearly went into this book, but some sloppy scholarship undermines one's faith in Levy's enterprise: He describes a 1930 film's moral standards, for example, as outdated for a "post-Prohibition" audience and declares Jack Warner "in the 1970s the only survivor of the old moguls" — Paramount's Adolph Zukor, who lived until 1976, might have begged to differ. People's names are misspelled, among them screenwriter Jay Presson Allen's, and those typos — off with that proofreader's head!

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The Women's Philharmonic

A Little More Oomph, Please

by Chris Culwell

he Women's Philharmonic turned 14 last Saturday before an eager audience that, despite a heat wave and the airless quarters of the First Congregational Church, showed up to hear what the orchestra and its celebrated music director, JoAnn Falletta, were serving up for a seasonopener.

opener.

If the results were less than stellar, the heat wasn't to blame. Rather, it was the performance itself, which sounded underrehearsed and misconceived. One expects, naturally, to hear the occasional blooper at a live performance, and certainly one should expect that a conductor's interpretation of a musical score isn't without dry patches, but when one hears consistently errant pitch in the most exposed passages of a work, or shapeless, uninflected playing for vast stretches of time, it does not inspire confidence in players or director.

Saturday's infelicitous showing was something of a surprise, for the Women's Philharmonic (formerly known as the Bay Area Women's Philharmonic) has earned in recent years a reputation for being one of the Bay Area's leading musical organizations. And not without good reason. Falletta and company have worked hard to bring fresh meaning to the words new and unusual. They've done a great service to music lovers everywhere by saving from obscurity the names of women composers whose works have hitherto never been heard. More than 137 compositions by women have been performed by the Women's Philharmonic over the past decade and a half, 125 of them premieres. And if it weren't for this group, how many music lovers would even know the names of such composers as Michelle Ekizian, Libby Larsen, Germaine Taileferre (she was one of the infamous Les Six) and Ellen Taafe Zwilich?

But when a musical perfor-

But when a musical performance is as undernourished as Saturday's, one would rather the history lessons be confined to books

The low point Saturday was

the West Coast premiere of Para Viola y Orquesta (For Viola and Orchestra), a three-movement work for viola by Cuban-born Tania Leon. I say low not because Ms. Leon's piece is unworthy, only that its performance, featuring guest soloist Rozanna Weinberger, left little impression.

Though Ms. Weinberger is obviously an accomplished musician – she has performed recitals in concert halls all over the globe and has played with many distinguished orchestras in several capacities – this was not her finest hour. Try though she did, she simply could not find her way into the soul of Ms. Leon's music and instead merely played notes, hoping that a thumbnail sketch might substitute for an informed interpretation. Intonation was slippery, note values sounded clipped, and Ms. Weinberger showed little sensitivity to dynamic shading. Of the latter, it's safe to assume – and I must because the piece in question is unknown to me – that Ms. Leon did not write Para Viola y Orquesta as an exercise in monotony.

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However, even if the soloist had been in fine fettle Saturday, it wouldn't have mattered much, for the orchestral accompaniment was as unfocused as Ms. Weinberger's performance. Ms. Falletta struggled to bring the music's complicated surface to some kind of point, but, alas, if there was one, it was lost on these ears. I could have sworn the inner and final movements were being sight-read, they sounded so incoherent.

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Ironically, though Leon's work was composed primarily to highlight the viola, the soloist's part is so limited in tonal and expressive range that it seems ungrateful to the instrument. That or, perhaps, Ms. Weinberger is simply not the

Rozanna Weinberger

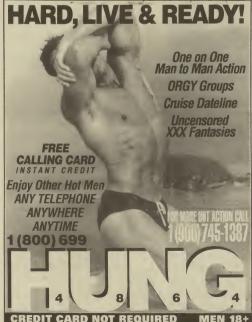
ideal executant of this work.

The first half of the program included Stars (1939) and Sand (1928) by Mary Howe, and Overture to Der Shulkandidat (1792) by Maria Theresia von Paradis. The latter, a work that speaks to the conventional musical idioms of its day, was the most delightful contribution of the program's first half as it featured clear, strong ensemble work from woodwinds and elicited noticeable flexibility from the entire band, a quality absent from the concert until the closing work, Benjamin Britten's Four Sea Interludes, from his opera Peter Grimes. Stars and Sand are lovely works, if a bit too short, and a bit too sentimental. The performances could have benefited from some of the aforesaid flexibility.

The second half of the program featured Changes: a Little

music for Mozart, by Elizabeth Vercoe, and the Britten. Vercoe writes in the program notes that while the piece features "a lively and rather jazzy section" it is "largely elegiac." I'm not sure I ever heard the "jazzy" part, but Changes certainly is elegiac. Which points out one of the problems with this concert. In tone, almost everything on the program, with the exception of the Paradis Overture, sounded elegiac, if not downright lugubrious. Not that the music of Vercoe, Britten, Howe and Leon is ridiculously maudlin or death-obsessed, only that the interpretations of these works by Falletta and orchestra weren't deep enough to suggest musical meaning beyond stock expressions of grief and despair. Melodrama should play only a limited role, if any, in serious music. ▼





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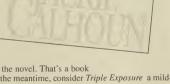
Emotional Parallelogram

Triple Exposure by Jackie Calhoun; Naiad, \$9.95

Imagine that you are deeply in love, and imagine that, because of circumstances seemingly beyond your control, or hers, you are only able to snatch an occasional afternoon or evening together. What happens then, when the obstacle to your coupling is removed? Domestic bliss? Boredom because things are too easy? What if, when you spend more time together, you discover that you really don't like each other very much? What if the love was in fact sustained only by the difficulty you had in getting together? I raise these questions because I thought Jackie Calhoun's newest novel, *Triple Exposure*, was heading toward an exploration of these very issues. Unfortunately, by the time she gets there, she's run out of pages, and the novel ends abruptly, with all manner of not yet raveled loose ends. That's too bad, because Calhoun's writing is pretty good in this novel, and her characters are very interesting. There's Nicky, who loves the very closeted, very married, very maternal Beth, who loves Nicky but is afraid she'll lose her child if her husband finds out she's a lesbian. Then there's Meg, who feels trapped in her relationship with Denise, and who has the requited hots for Nicky. This is more than a triangle, it's a parallelogram.

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I'm sorry that Calhoun didn't trust herself to explore the very complex issues that she raises toward the end of the novel. That's a book I'd like to read, and one that I hope Calhoun will write. In the meantime, consider *Triple Exposure* a mildly entertaining read that promises more than it delivers.



Theater of Yugen

'Salome' Sullied

he premise of Theater he premise of Theater of Yugen's Salome (Sarome Kyu Kyu No Dan), an avant-garde adaptation of Oscar Wilde's play performed by leading Kabuki actor Kyozo Nakamura and directed by 85-year-old Kabuki master Masakatsu Gunjii, is intriguing. Take a classic tale of outrageous violence, throw in the compelling lence, throw in the compelling tradition of Kabuki theater in which a man in full Onnagata regalia portrays Salome, and weave in a five-member modern dance troupe to act as the chorus. Well, premise is one thing, results another. What could be a results another. What could be a fascinating, multicultural, revisionist take on Wilde's play ends up as a slapdash, incoherent cross between West Side Story and Farewell My

Concubine.
The main problem with this Salome is its lack of focus. At the conclusion of its 75 minutes, the conclusion of its /5 minutes, the reason for its being remains unclear. Why adapt Wilde's Salome to the Kabuki style of theater? Why blend traditional and contemporary Japanese music with pulsating garage rock? There are just too many pressured questions. Because unanswered questions. Because Kabuki theater is foreign to many American theatregoers, writer-director Gunji and co-

way to educate the audience while bringing them into the action and characters of their drama. This production keeps drama. This production keeps the audience at a firm distance and ends up being too arty for its own good. The audience is never able to fully appreciate the skill of Nakamura's performance as Salome, if indeed skill is present, because they are never given a clear idea of the production's concent.

never given a clear idea of the production's concept.
What this Salome does present is a condensed, modernized version of Salome's violent infatuation with John the Baptist. In the '90s, Salome is described as a "crazy, wealthy woman," and John (Michael McFall) is a homeless man besieged by visions. Why or how this crazy rich dame falls for the street guy is never explained, and why Salome is in full Kabuki drag is also unclear.

Music and dance

Lack of coherence for art's Lack of coherence for art's sake is a common practice, but when you start with a play as good as Salome and end up with a mess as muddled as this one, you're definitely on the wrong track. The Knee Jerk Dance Project certainly doesn't help things. The three men and two women of the company portray American youths who witness the crazy rich lady in the red kimono and her fascination with the homeless man with the long dreadlocks. Their dance style could best be described as Jerome Robbins meets Sid Vicious. They throw themselves about the Theater Artaud stage as violently as possible, and when their choreography demands ensemble precision, they fail to provide it. These dancers are also called upon to utter dialogue. Granted these performers are dancers, so criticizing their dramatic readings would not be entirely fair. kimono and her fascination with would not be entirely fair. Suffice it to say that dancers

Suffice it to say that dancers should stick to dancing.

The variety of the musical score is actually the most entertaining aspect of this culturally cloudy evening. Traditional Japanese stringed and percussion instruments are performed live while the target score. sion instruments are performed live, while the taped score ranges from a big band version of "Blue Moon" (sung live by narrator Mikio Hirata) to headbanging, guitar-heavy garage rock. Even though the celectic nature of the music provides a much needed infusion of energy, here to the confined nature. here too, the confused nature of the show's reason for being

becomes apparent.

Misconceived and overly ambitious, this Salome lacks the amount acks the bite of its source material and makes poor use of both its Japanese and American theatrical styles. As the audience was



Michael McFall is John the Baptist in Salome.

filing out of the theater, a weary audience member was heard whispering to her companion,

"Thank goodness – I was terrified there was going to be a second act." ▼

Warped Wonders

ony Vaguely and his zany crew are at it again. This time The Sick and Twisted Players have applied their anarchic wit to a theatrical adaptation of the classic 1976 horror flick, *The*

The story begins with the death of the newborn son of Robert and Kathy Thorn (Alex Meconi and Johnny Kat Harris). Unbeknown to Kathy, Robert accepts another newborn to raise in his place, but this is no ordinary child. He is, in fact, the spawn of the devil sent to earth

Kathy, Robert accepts another newborn to raise in his place, but this is no ordinary child. He is, in fact, the spawn of the devil sent to earth because his time has come. Although the Thorns raise the child as normally as any child whose father is a wealthy ambassador, little Damien (Deena Davenport) has a tendency to drive his nannies away. So far this sounds a lot like the film. But then Damien shares an advertisement he's written for a new nanny in a little song that is extremely reminiscent of one from a famous musical about a magical nanny. Sure enough, a prim figure in black carrying a carpet bag descends from the sky with the aid of an open umbrella and lands in the Thorn household. She is, of course, Mary Poppins (Kathy Queer). Hereafter, the production becomes truly sick and twisted.

Mary Poppins definitely has an agenda. Once she arrives, all the sinister qualities of the film begin to invade the serene life of the family Thorn. A mysterious Father Brennan (Jack Spittle) begins leaving creepy messages with Robert; Kathy becomes anxious and untrusting; and Damien befriends a devilish dog.

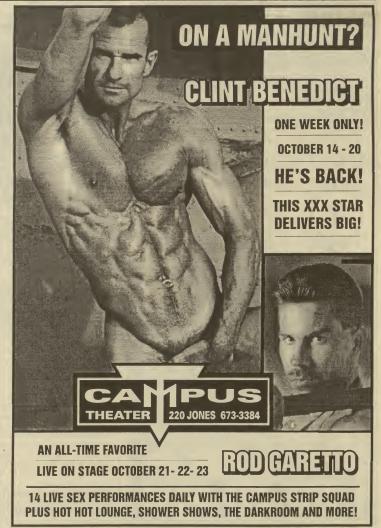
One of Vaguely's cleverest moments as both writer and director has Kathy and Damien driving through a wild animal safari (a cardboard wall and a menagerie of hand puppets). The scene begins pleasantly enough, but when Poppins appears, trouble cannot be far behind. First, the animals begin singing, "It's a Jolly Holiday with Mary," but before they've finished the song, the puppets have been transformed into uncontrollable beasts and attack the car.

Later, Vaguely again shows us his delightfully warped creative genius when he sets a pack of dogs on Robert and a photographer friend (Mark Menke) at the gravesite of Damien's birth mother and the Thorn's true son.

Like all Sick and Twisted shows, The Omen is full of misconstrued lines, half-baked performances and assorted other amateurishness. But this is all part of the fun.

As usual, Vaguely has put together a memorable show. Who but Tony Vaguely could take the dis

The Omen continues at the Bernice Street Theater, 21 Bernice St. For tickets, call 826-5358.



Remy Charlip and the last frontier of dance

Same-Sex Partnering at Oakland Ballet

emy Charlip's new work for Oakland Ballet, Ludwig and Lou, may give the gay community reason to gather at the Paramount Theater in Oakland this weekend and tomorrow. Charlip is creating a set of five duets that will be danced tonight (Thursday) by male couples, Friday by an all-

female cast and, for the last two performances, by heterosexual couples, although the dancers will have the option of cross-dressing if they so desire.

Doesn't this sound like a hoot? Just hearing about it makes me miss Keith White—the excellent critic who wrote for this paper till his death four years ago—more than ever. White considered same-sex partnering the last frontier in

dance: "When two then talked together," he wrote, "all stereo-types are instantly shattered, and what remains is entirely new." Charlip is thinking along

"The dances are all in duet form, some with very close bod-ily contact," Charlip says, "so that in the same-sex versions, the same kind of intimacy may be seen as in conventional heterosexual partnering.
"I am for the most part bored

with seeing the ever-present het-erosexual coupling in ballet, with the woman exhibited in front, often passive and submis-sive, and the man the stable

manipulating courtier."

"Although it is common to see only women dancers on stage," says Charlip, "it is very satisfying. It is much rarer to see a whole group of men, and very satisfying too. Men and women have one kind of energy on stage, women together and men

Charlip is a gentle subversive

of the old school. He's one of the modern dancers who hit his stride in New York in the '50s, when gay oppression was omnipresent and gay feeling had to be expressed indirectly. He was an irrepressible ham in Merce Cunningham's original company, and he wore such outrageous clothes that John Cage rebuked him for lack of seriousness. And all along he's been writing children's stories that perhaps best express his sweetly anarchic form of humanism.

"I want to scream and run out

I want to scream and run out of the theater when I see heterosexual violence in dances, matter how subtle it is," s Charlip. "A gratuitous push or a spiteful pull is, for me, hard to watch, especially when it is ignored by the victim.

"I think it is important at

times for women to be alone with women. There is a comforting and peaceful atmosphere without men. Similarly for men – I remember when the last allbar in New

McSorely's, became integrated with females, the ambiance changed. No longer easygoing – a macho pretense began to rear its head, and the men became rowdy and showy."

The central section of Charlip's ballet is set to romantic, dreamy music by Lou Harrison, the Suite for Cello and Harp. Some sections are sparkling, others almost hypnotic. The outer movements are two ic. The outer movements are two different settings of Beethoven's Contradances. It sounds festive and beautiful; I am eager to see it, maybe a couple of times.

Editor's Note: Ludwig and Lou will be performed by the Oakland Ballet Thurs-Sat, October 13-15 on a program that includes The Moor's Pavane (Limon/Purcell), The Unraveling (Alonzo/Attebery), and Witness (Lowe/Attebery). For tickets and information, call 1-510-465-6400. call 1-510-465-6400.



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The irrepressible Remy Charlip.

Palacios

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Only recently – due primarily to the soaring costs of union labor – have audiences had to make do with one set, one performer and sometimes only one tormer and sometimes only one costume. However, just because we've gotten used to this sort of thing doesn't mean it's a good idea, and while Marcel Marceau could get away with a bare stage and a ladder, most people can't – and shouldn't try.

 and shouldn't try.
 Writer/performer Monica
 Palacios looked strangely lonely during Confessions, her one-woman show at Josie's, like she woman show at Josie's, like she would much rather have been on a date but couldn't get anyone to come out and play with her. Part of the problem was bad lighting. With her black hair, black slip and black high-heels on a black stage against black curtains, she seemed to be beginning her prefer. seemed to be beaming her perfor-mance from the outer reaches of some distant black hole, instead of inhabiting the same long nar-

row room as the rest of us.

Her stagey habit of directing her lines over the tops of our heads, to the front row of some nonexistent balcony, didn't mitigate the lost-in-performance-space feeling. I was maybe ten space reering. I was maybe ten feet away from her, in the sec-ond row, and while I don't blame her for not wanting to look me in the eyes, connecting with the warm bodies in the with the warm bodies in the house might have helped her sell her material. Fanny Brice always played to the balcony, but only because there were people sitting in it.

Palacios' attempts at alleviating the 60-minute show's visual service and the property and service and the service of the s

ennui only underscored the poverty of the production val-ues. Her so-called spoken word/slide show, "Single Chicana Dyke Seeks Same" was a funny but overlong short story read from a spotlighted black music stand while some ho-hum graphics flashed on the big white screen behind her. This

wasn't performance; it was wasn't performance, it was rehearsal. As an attempt at a multimedia experience, it was low on concept and imagina-tion, without enough self-awareness to make fun of its

awareness to make fun of its own awkwardness.

More successful was her combo lounge act/gynecology clinic, mostly because the idea is so bizarre. Between such standards as "I've Got a Crush On You" and "That's the Way I Like It," the lab-coated, speculum-heandishing. Palacios. Like It," the lab-coated, speculum-brandishing Palacios announced, "Frances, your test came back and you do have a yeast infection." Her opening yeast infection." Her opening monologue equating the pleasure afforded by a carne asada taco with the woman who knows how to eat one was maybe the most focussed and sustained effort in this otherwise slow-paced, hit-and-miss evening. There's no director credit for Confessions, but there ought to be — maybe Palacios ought to be – maybe Palacios should call in some outside help. ▼

British Gay Mags Fill a Hole

Chasing the Pink Pound

British gay magazines are booming in '94. Market surveys pointing to the gay community as an untapped consumer gold mine have led mainstream advertisers to support new gay publications. As with a similar publications. As with a similar American boom a couple years ago, one that launched *Out, Genre* and *Ten Percent*, the British explosion is motivated first and foremost by the gay dollar – or in this case, the pink pound

There was a lot of stuff here about a year ago in the main-stream press about this 'pink pound' story, and it got blown out of all proportion," says Paul out of all proportion," says Paul Burston, consultant editor and co-founder of Attitude magazine. "All these publishers who had never before shown any interest in financing gay projects suddenly thought there was a market there and that they could make some money."

Attitude was eventually

Attitude was eventually picked up by an unlikely publishing house, Northern & Shell, which profits from mainstream celebrity magazines along the lines of *People* or *Us*, and from straight pornography. Northern & Shell had never touched a gay magazine before Attitude pre-miered in April, but the allure of

Burston wanted a magazine less restricted in its perspective than Britain's single longstanding community-oriented news magazine, Gay Times.

"The motivation for starting it was that I was dissatisfied with the gay press here. It was very narrow. We wanted something that looked a bit more outward, that wouldn't just be read by a gay audience."

Attitude is slick and hip, bor-

dering on pretentious. It concentrates on fashion and celebrities rather than news, and true to its mission, it is not exclusively gay. Excluding the 5000 copies distributed throughout the U.S., the circulation is hovering below veteran *Gay Times'* 50,000. (By comparison, in the U.S. *Out* leads the gay magazines with a circulation of 100,000.) But Burston insists that the two magazines are not in direct competition.

"Attitude is about trying to be

a gay style magazine, and the immediate competition is the men's style magazines, which of course trade on the fact that a lot of their readers are gay," he says. "It makes absolute sense to read Gay Times and Attitude and get totally different things from them, so I don't see any reason why they any reason why they should be in competi-

One for the girls

Besides, Gay Times has launched its own competition. In the wake of the pink pound excitement last year, Gay Times' editorial assistant Frances Williams approached the Frances W approached magazine's the publishing company, gay-owned Millivres, and proposed launching a national lesbian magazine, Diva. Now in its sixth month, the bi-monthly is selling even better than expected, says Williams. Diva's circulation has already topped 20,000.

Diva takes a comprehensive

view of lesbian culture, news

from international social concerns reviews, and maintains a respectable standard of journalism while infusing the magazine with a laudable sense of style.

While Williams refers to Diva the sister tion to Gay Times, she stresses that Diva is not simply Gay Times women

as a sub-niche of the gay market," she says of her 'It's been seen ket," she says of her readership, "but I see this as a women's (Continued on page 43)

Frasier

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To its credit, the show dodged most of the pitfalls of gay-derived humor (often deliv-ered by straights at the expense of gays). And, in the high-minded fashion that helped earn Frasier an Emmy for best comedy series of 1993, it waltzed right past the subject of tolerance – a given – on its way to the jokes. In classic screwball fashion, the show's writers set fashion, the show's writers set up a series of mistaken identities that gave way to a dizzying array of puns and double entendres, making this particular episode one of the most enjoyable of the new season.

Now in its sophomore year, Frasier is NBC's successful Cheers spin-off, which transplants the Boston bar's eminent psychiatrist, Dr. Frasier Crane, back to his home town of Seattle, where he has begun a lucrative

where he has begun a lucrative career as a radio talk show shrink. Divorced from *Cheers*' humorless Lilith Sternin-Crane (Bebe Neuwirth), Frasier lives (Bebe Neuwirth), Frasier lives with his ailing father, Martin (John Mahoney), a former Seattle cop, who is cared for by live-in housekeeper Daphne Moon (Jane Leeves). Also, there's Frasier's brother Niles, yet another psychiatrist, who serves as the show's secret comedy weapon; his bizarre marriage to an unseen wife and his sexual to an unseen wife and his sexual obsession with Daphne supply a

seemingly endless source of jokes for the series' writers.

In last week's episode, Daphne confides to Frasier that her love life leaves much to be desired. So, when Frasier's new station manager. Top Duran station manager, Tom Duran (Eric Lutes), arrives in Seattle, the shrink – as matchmaker – gets an idea. Duran is an attrac-Anglophile who has worked at the BBC for the last five years (Daphne herself is British). The two men discuss theatre, Duran says he likes Frasier's tie. There is lots of common ground here. Frasier invites him to dinner,

thinking Duran is just perfect for Daphne.

But Frasier doesn't know Duran is gay. Of course, Duran assumes that Frasier does know, and believes he's just been asked out on a date. There you have it. A situation ripe with promise. And the show delivers on every front.

A room with a view

Frasier's plush, high-rise apartment overlooks Seattle's skyline, and when Duran first arrives for dinner, Frasier asks his new boss what he thinks of his new boss what he thinks of the place. Duran says, "It's a helluva view!" to which Frasier responds, "It's even better from the bedroom!" A cautious Duran says, "Why don't we just start with a drink."

with a drink."

In the same scene, Frasier informs Duran that he lives with his dad, and Duran asks him whether that puts a "crimp" in his love life. Frasier says jokingly, "Not at all, except when I bring my dates home, be tries to bring my dates home, he tries to

So now Duran thinks both Frasier and his dad are gay. Enter Martin Crane. "You're gonna love Seattle," he tells Duran. "It's a real people place. Good food, great bars." Duran asks him what he recommends. "I usually hang out at a place called Dukes," Martin says. "Great crowd. A lot of young cops." And Duran just about smacks his lips with delight.

But what would an episode of Frasier be without Niles, who barges in on dinner, uninvited, to protect his "claim" on Daphne? Duran senses Niles' hostility and confronts him, believing Niles to be protecting Frasier. After Duran tells Niles that it's Frasier he's after, Niles So now Duran thinks both

Frasier. After Duran tells Niles that it's Frasier he's after, Niles smugly informs his brother, who must then set things straight (so to speak) with Duran. Frasier tells his boss, "It never even occurred to me that you might be gay." And Duran answers, "It never even occurred to me that you meet even occurred to meet here." never even occurred to me that you might be straight." Not knowing what to say, Frasier offers a gracious "thank you."

Although mistaken identities are not new to situation comedy, the gay twist on such plotlines has yet to be exhausted, as *Frasier* so aptly proves here. Actually, the *Cheers* team itself paved this road when, in its final season, Rebecca's (Kirstie Alley) high school sweetheart, played

by Harvey Fierstein (!), visits Boston, and she deludes herself into thinking he's straight.
With the acclaim that Frasier has received over the last year, it's unfortunate that NBC has moved it from last season's moved it from last season's Thursday night time slot to Tuesdays at 9 p.m., where it's

losing the ratings battle to ABC's hit comedy show *Home Improvement*. It's unfortunate because *Home Improvement's* because *Home Improvement s* historically macho audience should have the chance to see a funny show where gays are not the butt of jokes but an equal participant in them.

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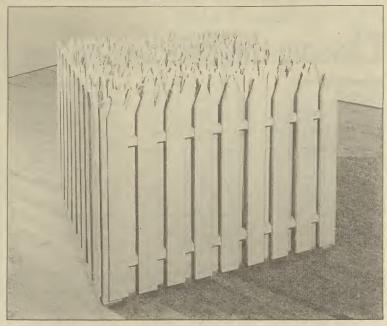








ART



Subdivision, by Lynn Aldrich

Pan

(Continued from cover)

Citizen Pan, the exhibit of their work which opened at the Victoria Room last weekend, shows that, though Tichane and Linwood work in very different disciplines to differing effect, they do share a dark theme. Through their art, both printmaker and conceptualist speak to their condition of living with AIDS. Their work could only have been created during these sometry days of the pan-

of living with AIDS. Their work could only have been created during these somber days of the pandemic that does not end.

Tichane shows woodblock prints from his series AIDS' Dark Terrain: Twelve Stations from a Yankee Pilgrim. In these beautifully crafted images, the grain of the wood used in the printing process evokes the features of a dark landscape, an endless horizon of shadowy terrain. Tichane's prints engage the myths of the open, endless Armerican landscape — and furnish its reverse image, the nether regions of the soul.

A handmade book of Dark Terrain is the centerpiece of Tichane's exhibit: the viewer is instructed to remove his shoes before sitting on grass mats on the floor and examining the book. "My prints are landscapes," the artist told me, "and I want people to be landed — close to the ground — when they look at them."

Puckish casualty

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Linwood's new installation, though vastly divergent from these prints in form and presentation, is similarly concerned with the search for one's dark side, one's shade. A tableau in three stations, the work takes as its central metaphor the story of Peter Pan. Child's blocks spell out WORK, LOVE and PLAY; at the LOVE station, Peter's fallen body is outlined in chalk, items of his puckish wardrobe strewn about. Nearby lies a broken cable, as if the wires supporting Mary Martin's flight over the stage had snapped, and our perpetually youthful figure had met an early, sudden mortality.

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There are many more clues to this enigmatic display, including shadows made from felt and focussed light, a nursery chest full of toys and handcuffs, scatterings of black feathers and gold glitter, and family photographs from the artist's troubled past. A passage from Barrie's story is projected onto the floor: "But all the fairies are dying now because children know such a lot they don't believe or laugh anymore."

As with much conceptual art, a full under-

As with much conceptual art, a full understanding of the work is possible only with its creator's gloss. But clearly, *Citizen Pan* is Linwood's most personal and self-revelatory piece. A photo-

graph of his father looking "like a raunchy sailor" hangs alongside text alluding to painful memories of this monstrous patriarch molesting the artist's sister. Even after all this time and distance, the

sister. Even after all this time and distance, the traumatized brother is still "living and dying in my father's shadow."

And what of Peter Pan himself, the boy who lost his shadow? Some years ago a psychologist introduced the concept of men who suffer from "Peter Pan syndrome." Here's a character who flits around town wearing green tights and a felt hat and hangs out with fairies, and somehow he's become associated with the phenomenon of men who refuse to grow up. Linwood says he's of the opinion that most gay men don't mature psychologically much beyond their late twenties. Beyond the issue of arrested development, however, lies the specter of untimely demise: "These days, if you even make it to 40, it's a miracle. God forbid you should look it!"

Identity issues

Linwood, along with Sara Bates and David Izu, curated the 113th Annual exhibition at the San

curated the 113th Annual exhibition at the San Francisco Art Institute, Forms of Address, which also opened last week. This is an intriguing if not entirely cohesive showing of five artists whose work engages issues of identity.

Jean LaMarr and Julian Lang are Native American artists for whom a connection with the earth is central, primal, sacred. Their installations share an aesthetic with the earthwork of Canan Tolon, living grass attached to arcs of sheet metal. But the through-line between these pieces and the altered domestic icons of Lynn Aldrich and Janet Biggs, though insisted upon by the show's catalog, remains tenuous. remains tenuous.

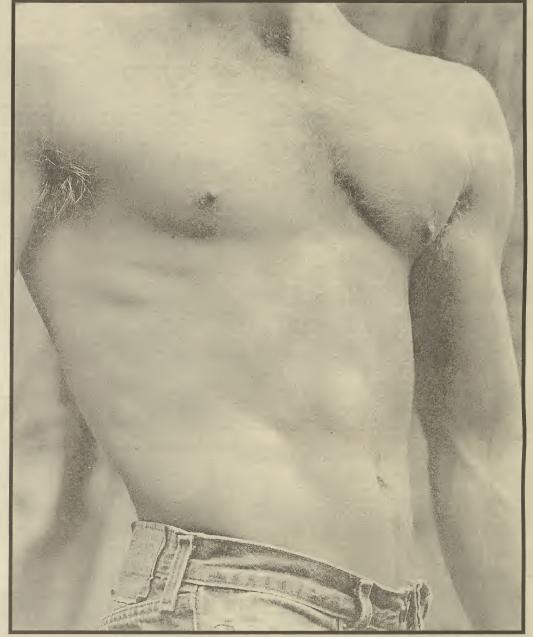
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Still, considered singly, each chosen artist contributes work with immediate impact and lasting resonance. Perhaps Los Angeles artist Aldrich has the most success with her Subdivision (1990), a white cube of picket fence stakes which cuts right to the heart of suburbia, exposing a symbol of the American dream for its underlying threat of violence.

Reporter's Note: Citizen Pan remains on view at the Victoria Room, 180 6th St., thru Nov. 6 (Fri.-Sun., 12-6 p.m.; call 255-0364). A free artists' talk on Sat., Oct. 15, 3 p.m. will include an appearance by performance artist Maria St. John as Peter Pan. The part of Tinkerbell will be played by a cel phone. Forms of Address continues thru Nov. 13 at Walter/McBean Gallery, SFAI, 800 Chestnut St. (Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sun. 12-5 p.m.; call 771-7020.)

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Country Inn Offers Extra Special Touches

Beyond Laura Ashley

by Daniel Mangin

o now she's on the porn beat," sniffed a pathetically envious acquaintance, who accused your hard-working reporter of lacking the requisite qualifications to ruminate on the comings and goings of the young and hung.

well, pardon us. Is it our fault that we'd have to drag a machine out of the Smithsonian to screen our contributions to the field to prove our worth to the little darling? Or that no one will publish our sex-industry memoir, I Was a Teenage Fluffer? Of course not.

Still, the smoke of recrimination hung in the air as honey and I settled down for week two of separating the metaphorical wheat from not-so-metaphorical shafts. Imagine our delight, then, when minutes into Falcon's recent By Invitation Only we realized that yours truly brought verifiable expertise to its analysis.

The Falcon, credited to one John Rutherford, takes place at the Highland Dell Inn. Having just finished editing a book on country inns of California (perhaps if it's a hit, the publisher will print Fluffer), Invitation is a natural for us, though the Highland Dell's notion of "extra special touches" for its guests does go a bit beyond the usual

Laura Ashley drapes and authentic Victorian potpourri in the antique armoire.

And then there were buns

Invitation's opening is muy mysterioso. Eight handsome, squeaky-clean gents with ultratan tans have been lured to the Dell by an unnamed, initially unseen party. The whole tape has an And Then There Were None feel, though none of the assembled could hold a candle to Barry Fitzgerald or Walter Huston in the acting department. (The upside: they're all a hell of a lot cuter.)

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One of the eight gets an afterdinner audience with the reclusive host, who turns out to be
Matt Gunther. In an obvious
homage to George Macready in
Gilda, Gunther, shot heavily in
shadow to open the scene, has a
menacing-looking walking stick
with which he probes and prods
the delectably blond Cort
Stevens. Pity that Mr. G's dick,
even with the aid of a cock ring,
never quite approaches the
rigidity of his cane – perhaps he
could have used an experienced
fluffer like ourselves.

Wait a minute, we're getting ahead of things here. Before dinner even gets started, two of the guests have gotten it on upstairs. Like many fine inns, the Dell serves early-evening cocks/tails, in this case those of Hal Rockland and Hunter Scott.

H.R. has the most malleable.

H.R. has the most malleable of foreskins – it's an erotic instrument in its own right, one that Scott manipulates with

instrument in its own right, one that Scott manipulates with great proficiency.

The two's masterfully shot sequence — nice interaction, good lighting, the camera in all the right places — begins with a tease and unfolds slowly, almost romantically, with a touch of New Agey music burbling in the background. An extra-special visual touch, the camera bobs toward Scott's face as the buxom Rockland fucks his heels-over-head partner. A bit

dizzying after a while, but so verite.

Glistening Goo

Two other diners, Dino Phillips and Vince Rockland – is Falcon identity shaper Mr. Clayton losing his imagination or could the two like-surnamed fellows really be related? – have a post-supper fling. Truth be told, V. Rockland's bizarre eyebrow make-up and/or plucking made it hard to concentrate on this sequence, whose extra-special touch included syncopated finger-popping on the sound-track – or were we just imagining this? – to go with Rockland's extended digital examination of Phillips' e'er-so-willing butthole. Phillips has the look of an angel at the end of the scene, as he milks Rockland's glistening goo onto his face.

look of an angel at the end of the scene, as he milks Rockland's glistening goo onto his face. Invitation's piece de resistance is a scintillating eight-way in the dining room. The choreography here would have done Busby Berkeley proud: the action starts out with simple two-by-two patterns, evolves into more complex configurations of kaleidoscopic proportions, then dissolves into a jo. conga line in which seven guys take their turns humping the sighth

eighth.

Well, sometimes six. Can't let slip by that continuity error or did that big blond just cut on line? One-by-one they shoot what turns into an ocean of jism onto his back. The scene's so well-crafted that one can easily forgive the cum continuity problems, an absolute trifle considering its overall ingenuity.

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As a video, Invitation was strictly a delight, one of the best Falcons we've seen recently. As for the Highland Dell, it's a four-star gem, one that furthers the reputation of California's country innkeepers for providing innovative accommodations and stimulating diversions to help their guests take a load off their hinds. Make your reservations immediatement.

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Hal Rockland: an early-evening cocktail?

British mags

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magazine. It's both a women's magazine and a gay magazine, and that gives it a much wider scope in terms of how we market it. I think lesbian issues do tend to cut across women's issues and gay issues and aren't so easily containable."

Phased out

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Things are taking off for Diva, but they never did at Phase, yet another slick British gay magazine that debuted this spring. Combining fashion, culture, politics, and a dollop of Madonna gossip in a pretty package aimed at gay men and women, Phase felt more American than the other newcomers. It was quite reminiscent of Out's American-sized circulation; the initial press run of 100,000 copies – of which only 30,000 sold – put the magazine deep in debt after its first issue. With

no advertising department hired until after the premiere hit the shelves, *Phase* was doomed.

Another British book that came and went quickly

Another British book that came and went quickly was Boner – launched by a gay newspaper publisher in London. It folded quickly and the publishing momentum came to a grinding halt. No more magazines have been launched since the initial burst this spring.

The three major British gay mags left standing have settled into healthy, competition. Even Gay Times, which stood to lose the most from the success of the new magazines, has grown. While Gay Times initially worried that less gay-specific magazines (Attitude) would steal mainstream advertisers who are finally targeting the gay market, the results have not been so black and white.

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As advertisers see results from their efforts in gay magazines, more of them have moved in behind the mags. The market has begun to expand considerably. Even if the initial pink pound story was mostly speculation, in the end the real pink pound will determine how large the gay magazine industry will become.



BOOKS

Flawed

he reproduction of a shocking painting by Jerome Caja, shricking from a savagely Pepto-Bismol-pink dust jacket, is probably why you'll first pick up Paul Reed's The Savage Garden: A Journal (House of Lillian; cloth, \$20). But you won't be disappointed if you linger to read it.

The Savage Garden follows Reed's previous AIDS explorations (the novels, Facing It and Longing; the inspirational guidebook, Serenity; and a diary, The Q

inspirational guidebook, Serenity; and a diary, The Q Journal) and emerges as his most focused, rewarding book. Despite its flaws - per-

book. Despite its flaws – perhaps because of them – it might become a little classic.

There's a lot of grandstanding here, an excess of name-dropping. We must often be content with Reed's summary of content or appearance, where a tauter assessment of quality or meaning is desired. There's an overall self-consciously literary tone to the book. Though masquerading as a diary, it was obviously written for publication.

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Still, Reed has been there, done that. His lover's death from AIDS, his own ill health complicated by grief and depression, his addiction to tranquilizers, recovery, subsequent political and sexual activism his compremised. activism, his compromised and then exaggerated sexuali-ty, his love affairs with hus-tler queer boys – all are recorded with an insider's knowledge. His authorial ear knowledge. His authorial ear yields frequently telling details, honed as it is by his previous books, the editing exercises of an earlier career with a publishing firm, and his admiration for May Sarton.

Sarton.

Traveling onto the shoals of AIDS and eventually surviving, The Savage Garden is not so much a book for enjoyment as a voyage of discovery. Reed takes us where we're longing to go, afraid to go, are going to go.

Most diaries are best heard live, and Reed will be reading.

Most diaries are best heard live, and Reed will be reading from *The Savage Garden*, as well as his new *Leathersex* stories, at A Different Light Bookstore on Thursday, October 13, at 7:30 p.m.

- John F. Karr

To All San Francisco Gay Softball League Members!

September 24, 1994 is a day that will go down in S.F.G.S.L. history!!! If you want to know why, attend the meetings!!! S.F.G.S.L.'s next meeting will be held on October 15, 1994 at The Cafe, 2367 Market St. at 12 PM. Be there!

The nominations for the 1994-1995 board is as follows: Commissioner Dave Gilliam, Skip Schafer; Assistant Commissioner Jim Smithey; Secretary -None; Treasurer - None; Barbary Coast Rep. -

Albert Reese; Cable Car Division Rep. - Wendy Burke; Women's Division Rep. - Wendy Gurshow; Women's NAGAA Rep. - Maureen Benette. If you want to add your name or someone else's, be at the meeting to be held on October 15, 1994 at The Cafe, 2367 Market St. at 12 PM.

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"BOODERS 2" License Plate - Monday 10/10 (around 3:45pm?). We were driving on Hwy 80 heading east toward Saramento. You brown hair & moustache, driving a white Mazda truck w/ firefighter logos on back window. Me: driving etd car, brown hair & horseshoe moustache.. We kept looking over until you took the Winters/Redding Exit, (Hwy. 505?). Wanted to but couldn't stop because I was w/ family. Found you very handsome. Please call. EXT 3947.

Mon. 9/12 California Cable Car-You: tall, grey shirt, red lie, got on at Drum St., me too. I had a black suit, black brief case, got off at Fairmont, sat next to you on cable car. Too shy to talk, but wanted to. How about dinner & an evening walk? Call me. EXT 3812.

Poolside at Fifes - Sun. 9/11, we played eye games. You in blue swim trunks, me in purple/green ones. We headed to the camp-grounds seperately. I showered, you took down your tent, then came into shower room & changed into black shorts, facing me & ck shorts, facing me & Let's get together. EXT

New South Wales Harley Tee - We made eye contact at the Mr. Drummer contest but I lost you in the crowd. I'll be out of the USA until Oct. 25th. Please call & tell me how we can connect. EXT 3901.

Eric, Badiands, 9/25 - We met that Sunday night, please contact me, I lost your address. I'm coming to town last week of Oct. Knowing you more as a person would mean more to me than a one night stand. I can't get you out of my mind. Callt, Carey. EXT 3861.

Different Light, 9/24, 3:30pm - You: WM w/ blonde hair, brown shirt, khaki shorts. Me: Asian w/ long hair, blue shirt. Can't forget you. EXT 3863.

commented on each other's hair-cuts. Me: short grey crew cut. Would love to hear from you. You're very hot. EXT 3864.

Met U at Mack 8/94 - You: Don-very goodlooking young man working 4 friend. You were out of work. Live on Twin Peaks. Me: Michael - you gave me your #, we talked, but I've misplaced your #. I'm still smitten, swept away, breathless, charmed by you. Still a chance for us? If so, please call. Must move again, but will go to great lengths to see you again. EXT 3866.

Art Local T-Shirt - At the Cafe on Fri. night. I've seen you around for a couple of years & think you're beautiful. I'm 5'8', 145#, 29y/o, an artist who would like to find out what makes you smile the way you do. EXT 3871.

John - I'm wondering what you taste like without sunscreen. How about a spanking? Mar. EXT

Charles, Castro St. Fair - You bought button from me - I filled out your safe sex survey. Saw you two more times but too shy to ask you out or your ph #. Are your eyes always that blue? Can we meet again? Call me. EXT 3945.

SEEKING RELATIONSHIPS

Rugged, Strong, Gentle Hearted
- Prefer blue jeans & plaid shirts,
p/u trucks, & the strong hold of
another rugged, butch, (could be a
cowboy) man. I'm masculine, very
handsome & romantic, kind, hon-est, caring, wise, 27, muscular,
br/br, stache, bottom. You are 27-37, handsome, blondish, light
eyes, wf ladial hair, lean & toned,
strong yet gentle, caring & romantic, top, NS. I'm a great catch, you
be too. Leave description. & #.
Thanks. EXT 3759.

East European - E.E. guy 26-36 wanted for friendship & more. I'm creative, 33, attractive, bl/bl, healthy. Anybody there? EXT

Black 6'4" Smooth - HIV-, seeks a WM under 45 who's tired of the

bar scene & is ready to build a partnership w/ a sensitive & affectionate Black man. EXT 3815.

Sexy GWM 55 - Educated & successful, seeks younger peer GWM 35-45 who is fit, affluent, handsome, NS, HIV-, has a car & owns property. We both live effective property. We both live eff lives, missing only the intima a loving partner. EXT 3816.

Country Boy Wants to See City -Central Coast, 29/0, 577, 150# GWM seeks submissive escort to see SF w/ & meet Mr. right for LTR. HIV-, under 35, like camping, movies, quiet eves together, hairy & masculine a+. EXT 3817.

Friend, Date, Partner - Quiet homebody, masculine, trim, inshape, HIV-, 48y/o top into money. TV, movies, nature, exercise, my dog, meditation, food, smoking, books, kindness, feelings, & progress. Not offering perfection, just a nice guy looking to expand. EXT 3819.

I Have a Bear Magazine Look -GWM 39, hairy, husky, balding, moustached. I'm 5'9", 195#, brown hair. I'm looking for a guy 20-30y/o w attractive boyish looks for poss. LTR. I enjoy bicycling, nature, sci-fi, films, safe vers. sex, I'm HIV- EXT 3820.

Ready To Take A Chance - GBM 34, 67, 190#, who is also a bottom. Looking for that special someone to spend quiet times w/. EXT 3821.

Hard, Hung, & Ready - GWM 44, 130#, 5'8", br/br, 8" cut, HIV+, cute, intelligent, & witty. Looking for lovable & sexy guy. EXT 3822.

Healthy HIV+ Seeks Soulmate -Youthful, Intelligent, attractive GWM, 36, 5'10', 135#, bry.blu, moustache, nordic looking, HIV+, German born, seeks muscular, masculine, BiWM or GWM w/ moustache, 32-45, tatoos pre-ferred, but not necessary. HIV+ only. EXT 3824.

Hot Latin Lover Wanted -Handsome, Hot GWM, 50, 5'8", 160#, blue eyed, former model, bus. professional, seeks hand-some younger, masculine Latin, together & emotionally sound, for LTR. East Bay Preferred. EXT 3825

Top This - I seek a tall, fit partner who's loving, honest, & always horny. I'm all these plus: bottom,

Vallejo Area Seek The 1 Person - Don't go to bars, into nice home life, living day to day w/o the "one". We are 45-50, trim, HIV-, love We are 45-50, Inm, HIV-, love God, nature, molorcycles, water. Lt. drinking, NS, ND. I've had one love for 17yrs, other for 8yrs. Me: 5'8", 140#, smooth skin, 90% full wht. hair, blue eyes, fun & sexy. Not lonely, just alone. EXT 3827.

A Good Thing - Black masculine top, 5'11", 180#, 31, seeks GWM or GLM. I'm attractive & vers. on ocassion. You must be masculine, mature, into relationship. Leather types preferred. Facial hair a must. EXT 3828.

Just Moved from Bay Area -Want to retire in Susanville. HIV+. Return to the good life. I'm 6', 44, 180#. Help start a gay community. EXT 3829.

GAM Seeking GWM - SF GAM, 5'11", 160#. Seeking intelligent, thoughtful, humorous, romantic, mature, NS, no facial hair, ht/wt proportionate GWM. EXT 3624.

Tall GWM, 41 - 6'4", 160#, lankily muscled, gym devoted, HIV-dark hair, short beard, fair complexion, moderately hairy (defined hairy chest), striking, desires sexual friendship w/ White, Latino, or Mideastern man, mid 30s-mid 40s, good facial looks, solid physique, trim waist, any height, your place SF. I'm versatile, affectionate, safe. BJ not a primary focus. EXT 3865.

GWM Seeks Latino - For dating and possible relationship. I'm 42, healthy, HIV+. I enjoy music, dancing, movies, good communication, long walks, hot sex (I prefer being bottom) & romantic evenings at home. Looking for someone masculine yet sensitive, passionate & open-minded. If interested, call Bob. EXT 3867.

Different Than The Rest - 35 GWM, Deadhead professional. 5'4", long wavy brown hair, HIV-cute & handsome. Loved the 70s, but this is the 90s. Tired of doing everything solo. You: GWM, tall, 30-50, HIV-, varied interests. EXT 3868.

R U a Nice Guy 25-35y/o - Al home like me? Let's meet & enjoy life. I'm 34y/o GWM, thin build,

serious, mature, fun. EXT 3869.

Looking for Buddy - Rugged, beefy, Italian seeks athletic, cud-dly, well-built man for intense & powerful LTR. EXT 3870.

Attractive, HIV+, & Cute - GWM 30, 5*10', 160#, healthy, mascu-line, sense of humor, bottom-vers, honest, fun. Into hiking, camping, sports, skaling, movies, beaches & drives. You: attractive, healthy, masculine, sense of humor, not into bar scene, honest, top-vers, 25-33 W similar interests. EXT 3872.

New Beginnings - Personally, professionally, emotionally. Would like to share w/ mature, loving, respectful companion. GWM 56, 6', 160#, HIV-, non to moderate A/S/D. EXT 3873.

Positive Spirit - HIV+ GWM tired of games but looking for play-mate/soulmate w/ childlike spirit, adventurous, innocent, sincere, honest, who isn't afraid to experience feelings, take chances a reach out without negativity. 32y/o, 5'10", 165#, br/br, athletic, vers. bottom, masculine, clean-shaven, relationship oriented, friends ok. EXT 3874.

Super Endowed - Heart, head, & cock will turn fantasies into reali-Super Endowed - Heart, nead, & cock will turn fantasies into realities in a LTR. I'm 5'11", 175#, HIV-N/S, N/D, in my mid 40s. Let's aim for the stars above & in each other's eyes. EXT 3875.

Trapped in Tahoe - HIV+ GWM, 29, gr/br, 150#, 5'8", stache, prodancer, seeks other GWM in Bay Area for pen, play, pruze pal. Like theatre, ballet, long walks, rainy days, movies, cats, intelligent conversation. EXT 3876.

Mentor, Dad, & Lover Needed
Me: goodlooking, HIV+ Latin,
Student, 5'7", 27ylo, but younger
appearance w/ swimmer's build.
You: goodlooking GWM, estab-lished, looking for boy to mold, teach, & be admired & loved by in return. EXT 3877.

Smooth Muscular GBM - Desired by muscular GWM 36. I'm caring & honest. I'm seeking a goodlooking GBM, 21-39, who has a well-defined, muscular, smooth skinned, hairless body for dating & romance. Please, no games, only sincere replies. EXT 3878.

Black on Black Passion - GBM 30, 5'9", 170#, athletic build, hung 8", vers. bottom. Seeks other brother for hot, safe fun in front of a fire. You: in-shape, both mental ly & physically, hung a+. No games. EXT 3879.

American Indian, attractive, sexy, masculine. HIV healthy 30s, 61°, 200#, fun, spiritual, successful, romantic, athletic, outgoing, loving, lenjoy beaches, film, TV, travel, finends, the best in life & laughter. Seek similar hot man for possible dating & romance. N/D, liight drnker ok, N/S7M. EXT 3902.

GWM 36 Relationship Wanted -I'm interested in finding someone to fall in love w/. I'm 5'6', 165#, br/br, in good shape. Would like to find someone 25-35, clean shaven, & looking for love. EXT 3903.

Cookin for Young, Cute Guy GAM, 25 y/o top, Irim preppy looking, financially stable, looking for monogamous person to be my little brother. You must be 18-22, blonde, ND, HIV-, & have good sense of humor & can deal w/ someone giving you love & emotion. College student preferred. EXT 3904.

GWM - 48y/o, 5'11", 190#, seek Asian, any race, 30-45, HIV-, N/S, N/D, N/A. Athletic, enjoy restau-rants, symphony. EXT 3905.

Sonoma County - Younger, mas-culine, responsible GWM, 31y/o, seeks dating & friendship/relation-ship w/ sincere, masculine GWM 18-30. It's hard to meet nice, normal guys, so take a chance. I just did. EXT 3906.

Attractive GWM - 26, 5'9", 185#, HIV-, new to SF, grad. student. Seek sincere GWM, HIV-, 26-32, handsome, intelligent, in-shape, funny, for friendship, poss. LTR. N/S, N/D, vegetarian a plus. EXT 3907.

Muscle Lover - Hot, in-shape GWM, 31, 5'9", 140#, br/gm, educated professional. Seek hot muscular man, any race. I'm fun, safe, HIV-, you be too, please. EXT 3908.

Man Seeks Man - 39, drk/blu, 6'2", handsome, HIV+, seeks same, masculine, 20-40, who wants love, respect, & travel. EXT 3909.

East Wan To Meet West
Attractive GA Fil., 5'9", 160#, w.
stache, HIV-, good heart, 41y/o but
look 30y/o. Seeking matur GWM,
35-45y/o, HIV-, w/ stache, beard or
goatee, 160-200#, w/ sense of
humor, for friendship or LTR. EXT
3910.

Horseplay? - Cowboy wanted for taming of this steed. Me, 31y/o Auburn Appaloosa, 17 hands, 175#, & blue eyes. You, 30-4y/o, rough & ready for riding on range. EXT 3911.

HIV- Daddy Wanted - Looking for HIV- top, 35 or older, who's a redboard banger, w/d rk/br, stachon os substitutes please. I'm 32, 6', 190#, b/bl, handsome, smoker, looking for Mr, thick, dark, & availabe. Capricorns, Virgos & Scorpios most welcome. EXT 3932.

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Damned Goodlooking Top Youthful 50s, blonde, very sexy, in-shape, hairy bodylequipment, 5°10°, 160f, wants tall, dark-haired, flab-free, toned, sensitive, hairy bottom for traditional action/light kink. Be truthful, dependable, clean, 30s-50s, have own transportation, NIS, NIO, HIV-Weekend dates a priority. EXT 3936.

Latins or Asians Wanted Attractive Mexican male, 23, seeks other Latins or Asians, 23-33, for friendship & maybe more. Bottom or top, N/S, N/D, & NBS, HIV+ ok. EXT 3930.

Russian River Romance & Adventure - GWM, 43yo, 5'6, 145#, HIV-, beard/stache, top, leather, skng partnership w/sensitive & affectionate, mase, professioanl man. EXT. 3938

Big, Beautiful Bik Bully - wntd by very tall, lean, successful 30yo, GWM, vers/btm, for hot sex, poss romance. UB 25-37, tall (6+), in shape, attractive, and (mostly) top. Dark complexion pref. (kind of Leather, S&M OK). Affectionate a must. Open to LTR. EXT. 3939

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Hung GBM - 51, 5'7", 170#, bearded, balding, tatooed, HIV+, seeks hairy WM bottoms w/ funky pits for hot sex. EXT 3823.

Masculine Bottom Seeks E. Bay Men - For ongoing rendezvous. Me: 6'1", 185#, br/bl, sensual, dancer's build, very deep throated, 43, HIV-, You: 40-55, HIV-, homy, available. EXT 3818.

GBM - 5'9", 170#, 30, seeking White bottom who enjoys Black leather top to play w/ that pig hole for hours. Must be willing to open up, boy. EXT 3835.

Hot Submissive Boy Bottom -Early, 30s, 6', 200#, HIV-, Latin/Asian, goodlooking seeks top dad studs into power fucking. Open to most scenes. EXT 3836.

Big Uncut Hot Latino - 35, vers. seeks Bi/GWM in good shape, 30s, for full service experience. Hot attitude, looks a+. Safe only. EXT 3831.

Sexy, Potent, Mature GBM - Black man enjoys playing w/ similar non-bearded men of any race.

1 on 1 & small group meetings. We'll enjoy privacy, XXX videos, aroma, drinks, nudity, discretion, & each other's bodies. Local, sincere seniors only please. Thanks. EXT 3833. EXT 3833.

Come Suck This Hot GWM Come Suck This Hot GWM -This hot GWM has 7 1/2" cock ready to suck & it can belong to you a GWM, GBM, or GAM. I want to belong to you & you belong to me. Let's have fun & hot times together. EXT 3834.

I Want So. Bay Sex Party -Insatiable, young, hung stud wants in w/ other like, aggressive men for sweaty good time. Call & leave me info to join in. EXT 3837.

Contra Costa GWM Bottom Contra Costa GWM Bottom -Seeks clean, goodlooking top who wants a hot mouth & ass to service him on a regular basis. Some days, most evenings. Hairy, verbal tops preferred but not a must. Uncut & facial hair a plus, clean, discrete a must. EXT 3838.

Sonoma County/Russ. River—My partner has AIDS & I need a fuck buddy for ocassional get togethers. Everything's open & honest. Me: 32, 6°, husty build, br/bl, HIV+. Into fr/gr, I'm a bottom. You: OK w/ my situation & a top. Leave descriptive message. EXT 3839.

Have Dick Will Travel - Well hung GWM 44, 130#, 5'8", cut, cute & oversexed, looking for buddy for hot & wild times. EXT 3840.

Throatfuck Slave 4 Dicks/Dildos - Healthy tall masculine pervert 4, 1954, shaved 8.5x87, dangling nipples, surenders milker's throat (partial out) for plungerfucking w/massive meat, greased dildos, both. Turn-ons: sperm, pumpers, Blacks, exhibs, poppers. Bay Area & Sante Fe, Sir. EXT 3841.

North Cal Man Seeks Other - I'm North Cal GM seeking friend &for lover. Need to be 18-30, gost attitude, personality, open & out-going, all-around guy. Sincerity must, face unimportant. Latino a plus. Let's get together. EXT 3842

Hot Chocolate - Likes to play w/ toys, vers., enjoy long sessions, butt play, role playing, watching videos, & more. Expenenced & sincere, also creative. EXT 3843.

Hot Top Black Guy Wanted -WM 44, 6', 160#, WM bottom wants to service your dick & ass as you want. East Bay & uncut a plus. EXT 3844.

Gay Mexican Male - I'm 5'4", 37, 135#, a bottom, seeking hot White male tops for fun. I also enjoy giving massages & being a bottom. EXT 3845.

Oral Expert - BM, 6'1", 190#, hung, muscular, good body, will service hung WM, Latinos, Arabs, other things poss. Bi OK. EXT 3846.

Foreign Accent - Fun 39//o GWM, 6'3", HIV-, well travelled, seeking further adventures w/ masculine in-shape GWM. Have car, place, tub & time. Don't be shy, let's talk. EXT 3847.

Play w/ The Teacher - SF GWM teacher, HIV+, seeks South Bay, playmate-buddy, weekdays (M-W nights), sleep-over. I'm late 40s, stocky build, br/br, beard & vers. I live in city rest of week. You homy, & like to spend an ocassional weekend in city. Must live convenient to Saratoga. EXT 3859.

Jocks (Intel-Inside) - Like to meet masculine dudes to 30-something, in-shape for computer buds & fun. 62°, 175#, smooth, UCSC grad, healthy, & Marin native. You must enjoy good food & exercise. Lite alcohol, no tobacto or drugs, I like masculine or all American, business or education-oriented males, street smart or college types. Sweet is ok, but make it masculine. EXT 3880.

Southbay GWM Seeks GBM for mutual i/o fun, phone sex, videos, & hot i/o scenes. Me: 45y/o, 6'17, 185#, w/ big dick. You: GBM, 48 y/o or under, wt/ht proportionate & into big dick fun. EXT 3881.

Want a Ride? - You: slim or mus-cular cute bottom eager to seduce & service this dark, handsome Hawaiian/Latin hunk, 33, w/ smooth, chiseled, deliciously mus-cular body. My strong arms will pin you down, my hard body will nde you to ecstacy. EXT 3882.

South Bay Dad - Husky, masculine, divorced Bi dad, HIV-. Seeks hairy sons or similar dads for safe sex. EXT 3883.

Naked & Obedient macho, slender guy u macho, slender guy under 35 to give oral orders to trim, tan WM 39. EXT 3884.

Vacuum Pumpers Rise Up - Need another GWM, BB, for play on my 46° pees to enhance an engorging hour. Bring connector valve, cylinder, & camera. Hairy redhead, sundeck a+. Muscular only. EXT 3885.

Masculine Cockworship - GWM
44ylo, 6', 190#, in-shape, br/br,
hairy bear loves to worship man
cock, bury my face in & sniff hot
man crotch & ass. Looking for
other masculine men who love to
do same - suck, sniff, lick & i/o
together. Into being verbal. Hairy
a+. Prefer similar age. EXT 3886.

Erotic Nights - Smooth, slim, romantic, GBM 25. Seek other well hung dark men for fun, erotic adventure. Latin men are extremely welcome. EXT 3887.

GAM Seeks Top GWM in Sacto.

- When in Sacramento area & need a bottom to play around w/, let's talk. I'm 31, 150⁴, will try it your way. No commitment, you must be overly top notch & blessed. EXT 3888.

Take the Challenge, If You Dare?
- R U into dirty talk but tired of phone sex? Into Jio but meet fuck ers/suckers? Into buddy to buddy action but meet top/bottoms? Into getting wasted but meet tea totalers? Then let's party, my place (Oakland, share costs), 10-11mm. No shaved cocks please 11pm. No shaved cocks please EXT 3889.

The Hottest Guy In Town - Even the Hottest guy in town is not worth you risking your health over him Play Safe! Protect yourself & those you Play with. Always wear a condom, don't exchange bodily fluids, if you're HIV+, don't panic, get early treatment, talk to someone. EXT SAFE.

Free Quality Massage - For cute young studs who take good care of themselves. Genuine, sensual, masculine attention. Table. 6'2", 175#, 40, goodlooking, safe. EXT 3012

What I Do Best Is Suck Cock -GWM 41, 5'8", hairy, husky, green eyes, friendly. I enjoy being on my knees & working a hot load out of Black or Latin guys. If you enjoy getting your cock sucked as much as I enjoy doing it, call. EXT 3913.

Hello SF Guys - Cute AM, 23, 577, 135#, nice boy, masculine, HIV-, educated, affectionate, spintual, polite, is looking for friends who are WM, handsome, in good shape, HIV-, 25-35 only. Men in suits or uniform especially welcome. EXT 3915.

Hung Black Male 9" - Clean, uncut, 59ylo, HIV-, 170#, wants submissive deepthroated expert cocksucker to suck cock & milk hot curn from my big balls. Erotic massage a tum on. Your looks unimportant. Sincere please. Older preferred. Leave name, #, & time to call. EXT 3917.

Love Thin Asians - Handsome, in-shape, professional GWM loves very thin Asians. I'm 52 (look much younger), Jewish, 5'9", 175#. N/S, NA, HIV-, workout regularly. I'm looking for fun or poss. LTR w/a very thin Asian guy (age unimportant). EXT 3918.

Vision - A 6'1" hairy chested muscleman, bl/bl, kneeling between your legs, eager to drain your manhod. My pain is your gain. EXT 3919.

GLM Bottom - 45y/o, 5'6", 145#, likes to meet GBM top w/ 9" cock to plow nice tight hairy hot butt. Fuck my as Sr. Ready when you are. EXT 3920.

Fuck Buddy Wanted - Irish stud. 40s, slim, fit, 5'11", HIV-, seeking very masculine, worker image type, bottom. Like affectionate, regular guys w/ nice butt. EXT 3921

Multiorgasmic - Teddy bear w/dick that needs lots of oral attention. I will come to you. You must be able to suck my dick long & hard. My dick comes often. I will reciprocate. EXT. 3940

Last Bay Btm - wants steady fuck buddy, any race. I'm WM, 6', 155#, br/bl, HIV-, w/hairy hole. Need your dick & ass to service as you want. EXT. 3942

Attn. Older BBs - Not to be passed up. Because I work out 5 times a week, early am. I'm asleep by the time cruising hours start, hence the ad. 32, 5'9", 160#, 7% body lat, 40" chest, 30" waist GQ model looks, really have hots for BBs in 40s & 50s. EXT 3914.

Very Cute Masc Wht Boy - sks very blk, tall, very hotlkng leather top who's 24-36, safe, in shape, drug free, dominant, homy, I'm 6'3, 30, lean, insatiable, kinky, affec-tionate, honest, new to S&M, WS, etc, but eager to learn. So come &

teach me. You'll give me an A+. EXT. 3943

Suck/Squeeze Pink Pointed Tits
- Cute older WM likes to spread
his legs for younger tops. Me: 54,
52, 150H; s/p hair, blue eyes, UC,
NS, HIV-, hairy back & front. You:
25-40, dominant, in shape, HIV-,
NS, top (be employed). Skinheads
welcome EXT 3841 NS, top (be employed welcome, EXT, 3941.

Two Hot Lovers! - We're in our 30s, better than average dicks, & always horny. Looking for others for explosive sex. We like small guys, big duys, daddy/boy couples, etc. EXT 3946.

FETISHES

Butt Eating &/or Scat - Bottoms wanted by top. Be mature, fun loying, & willing to please me, from my toes to my tits, plus heavy hole action. Dick size, body type, race, ct. unimportant. Smoke, both types, poppers OK. EXT 3848.

Teddy Bear Dad Seeks Bottom Teady Bear Dad Seeks Bottom Son - I want your ass. I want to look at it, touch, squeeze, mas-sage, tickle & probe your buns. Light spanking will stimulate nerve endings. Me: attractive GWM, 44, 6'5", 280#, football player's build. You: attractive GWM, 18-35, slim, smooth, nice buns. EXT 3849.

Velvet Tongue - Big smooth feet w/ cut big meat. 50's velvet tongue is waiting for you. East Bay, no late calls. Early eves & ? EXT 3850.

Cycle Cop Uniforms for other interested in po Cycle Cop Uniforms - Looking for other interested in police motor-cycle uniforms & CHP uniforms. Especially like CHP boots & breeches. I'm safe, clean, & HIV-. Prefer NS, ND. EXT 3851.

GWM 7.5" Wants Hot Daddy -This Hot GWM has 7.5" cock wait-ing to give it to his daddy for sexu-al fun & hot pleasures. I want a daddy to care for my cock. Come take me into your arms daddy, I want you. EXT 3852.

Sparring Partners Needed - Tough, muscular, hairy 5'8', 153#, wrestler challenges dudes into no-holds-barred "shoot" matches. Private gym, ring, gear, provided. Also into full-body massage. Serious, aggressive fighters, my size or bigger, wf muscles, guts, & kick-ass attitude. EXT 3853.

Submisive Seeks Training -Novice BiM seeks dominant man. Train me in serving you. Experience as houseboy & masochist. EXT 3854.

Sex Object - Gorgeous T.V. seeks very well hung male w/ place in Marin/SF area. I'm very passible in lingerie & love to have my ass licked & then fucked into submission w/ very thick cock. You: dominant. Me: sex object. EXT 3855.

Lake Merritt Footman - Yo called Box 3659 "Feet First" o 9/21 & left message, but no phon #. My ad now is title "Barefootedly Yours" Box 380/ Call w/ contact information. EX

Spanking Inc. - Looking for guys 20-35 who enjoy receiving & giving spankings. Big daddy, 58, wants to show his friends a father/son spanking scene. XEXT 3857.

Slave Boy Apply Here - Why can't I find a slave? I ask for a simple, decent, wholesome boy, any age, very slim, hairless boy, a Charles Dickens boy, a weel-flogged boy. EXT 3860.

Blue Jeans - Want to connect w/ guys turned on by guys w/ tight fit-

ting or loose jeans. Get a hard-on when you see a guy's jeans a little faded out over the dick & you'd like to feel it? If you're a guy 25-45y/o, w/ slender, average build, give a call. EXT 3890.

Hot Young Barefeet? - WM 25, slender & WM 29, slender, looking to service hot young barefeet. You: WM 18-21, very slender, real-ly cute feet. Two guys will make your barefeet feel great. EXT 3891.

Hairy Footman Seeks Master Hairy Footman Seeks Master - Young looking & thinking 49ylo, nice looking, HIV-, submissive wants Caucasian, Asian, or Latin master. Let me service boots, nice feet & your meat. Conservative, traditional, serious only. EXT

Butthole Licker, J/O Buddy -Wanted by raunchy rural daddy to take tums sitting on each other's mouth etc I'm HIV- GWM. On the phone or in person, let's get nasty. EXT 3893.

Hungry Butt - Seeks 1 or 2 hung, big, studs to work my holes, dick or doubledick me & fist my ass. Long, sweaty sessions. Be HIV-w/n a attitude, but do work me good. EXT 3894.

Let's Pump It - I'm into pumping my fat 8" cock w/ others of like interest aged 25-35. And yes, pumping does work. So let's prove

Tall, Large TV, TS, BB - w/smooth shaved upper bodies sought by tall WM. Non-masculine types preferred, but not absolutely a must. EXT 3896.

Stud Butthole Licker - Muscular, raunchy river jock in Monte Rio w/ rimseat, looking for stud men who liite to have their assholes worshipped by a hot, obedient tongue. EXT 3897.

Looking for Dominant/Vers. Partner I'm a 33/yo WM (vers. bottom) novice but extremely lumed on by BD. Also into bare-foot, rough play, TT, ass play, & 3 ways. If you've got the stamina, give me a call. EXT 3899.

Do You Like Getting So Fucked Up - That you can't get a hard-on? Then get greased up & talk real dirty & get a roaring boner. Intense i/o, dirty talk, cock wor-shipping, late evening my place East Bay, no shaved cocks, no toys, no videos. EXT 3898.

The Hottest Guy in Town - Even the Hottest guy in town is not worth you nixing your health over him. Play Safe! Protect yourself & those you Play with. Always wear a condom, don't exchange bodily fluids, if you're HIV+, don't panic, get early treatment, talk to someone. EXT SAFE.

Sir, Reporting As Ordered - I'm here to serve for you & obey your every command. If you're in the military, WM, handsome, spiritual, caring, romantic, & want to have an AM 23, 57", 135#, in service, nice man, give me a call. EXT 3916.

Dark Socks Turn Me On - Cute GWM loves to slip off a guy's shoes after a long day at work & put my face up against the soles & inhale the hot sexy aroma. Work the feet w' my mouth, kising, licking & sucking socked foot thoroughly, especially toes till he gets off. It feels great. EXT 3922.

Piss Master Wanted - Sir, this GWM, 41, 510", 240# (husky), HIV-, piss slave wants to drink & wear on me your piss, Sir. Sir, into public or private scenes, Sir. EXT 3923.

Strict Dominant - Hot experi-

enced WM sadist, 6', 195#, long hair, heavily tatooed, 40s, seeks total body worship. EXT 3924.

I Love Wet Clothes - Tall, in shape, very handsome GWM, clean shaven, 39, HIV-, looking for HIV- GWM, GLM, GAM turned on to wet clothes & shoes & water/sex play. Prefer handsome, trim, well built, 20-35, preppie-ish. EXT 3929.

Rough Top-Fantasy - Wanted by very hadsome 31 y/o. You: 6', very fit, very mean, 9"+, into S&M, br/br, 39-45, rough sex, fit discription. EXT 3933.

Hot Pants Down & J/O - Attr. 41y/o, GWM seeks men 30y/o+ into showing off their pants (levis) & underwear. Unbuckle belt, pull pants down, hard-on in your shorts? Let's jo w/ pants & shorts down around anckles. Cum on my pants. EXT 3934.

Feet First - I'm a very attractive East Bay GWM, 5'8, trim, lan, bearded, HIV-, N/alcohol & love reciprocal barefoot kissing, licking, smelling, caressing our clean feet. I'm very sensual, safe. Like fantasies, JO. EB preferred. EXT. 3944

COUPLES

GWM Seeks GWM/GWF Couple
- This GWM is looking for GWM to
be my daddy and GWF to be my
mommy, & I want to be fully serviced by both mommy & daddy.
Your son is 7.5" hung. EXT 3858.

Couple Seeks Couple Funioving, diverse (he loves Madonna, me Al Jarreau), mass Couple 7 years, new to SF. Seek committed Male couples, also new to SF a plus. We are 38 a 80, drink, smoke, dance, enjoy film, music, dinner, art. Not a sex ad. EXT 3925.

Marriage Partner Sought - Gay French Man 34y/o, responsible, student in Radiology, 2 years SF, seeks American woman to share American/French citizenship, allowing you to work & live anywhere in Europe. No financial payment, serious replies only. EXT 3928.

American Seeks European – Goodlooking American GWM 27, mature, responsible, kind & trust-worthy, is seeking a responsible & serious European woman who's looking to reside in the USA. EXT

Wife Needed - By good looking EEC male, looking to reside here in US. Fun guy, 22y/o, call & let's get married. EXT 3927.

OTHER

Sassy is Cumming - 24y/o coming to SF to visit & soon to live. Looking for friends, fun, parties, living space, jobs, fun, tour guides, love?, fun... Please leave address in my box so I can write & send photo. EXT 3900.

Spanish Foreign Student -GWM student from Barcelona would like to spend next summer in SF studying English. Need a place to stay, would like to exchange rent for work around the house; non-sexual please. EXT 3937.

Domestic Violence? - Did you know that Lesbians & Gays are more likely to be bashed by a lover then by a straight basher. If you or someone you know needs help call 333-HELP. Stop the violence Seek help!

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Blood Lines

World premiere of new drama by Carmen de Monteflores. Fri. & Sat. at 8pm, Sun. at 7pm thru 10/23. \$6-12. Braval Studio Theatre, 2180 Bryant St. (510) 548-6547.

Confessions

L.A. comic/performance artist Monica Palacios in "a sexplosion of tantalizing tales." Wed.-Sun. thru 10/16. \$12. 8pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. 861-7933.

Dirty Dreams of a Clean-Cut Kid

Ron Johnson in a solo version of the hit musical. Fridays thru Oct. \$10. 10pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. **861-7933**.

Fires On The Water

Tilingit Indian theater troupe Naa Kahidi Theater dramatizes the mythology of native Alaskans. Fri. & Sat. at 8pm, Sat. & Sun. at 2pm. \$15. Cowell Theater, Ft. Mason Center. 392-4400.

Funny Guy

Michael T in a musical com-edy revue full of Broadway and pop melodies. Fridays thru 10/21. \$7-10. 10:30pm. Late Night at the Marsh Theatre, 1062 Valencia St. 641-0235.

An evening of choreography by Rebecca Salzer. Fri.-Sun. thru 10/23. \$10. 8:30pm. Dancers' Group/Footwork, 3221 22nd St. 824-5044.

Henry V

Theatre Forte presents all-female production of Shakespeare. Thurs.-Sun. thru 10/30. \$10. 8pm. Y Theatre, 220 Golden Gate

Circus Mirabilis spectacle with acrobats, jugglers, drag queens, burlesque. Thurs.-Sat thru 10/29, 16th St. October Celebration. \$10-12. 8:30pm. Victoria Theatre, 2961 16th St. 863-7576.

Klubstitute

Cabaret lounge & dance-club. Every other Fri. night. Cat's Grill & Alley Club, 1190 Folsom St. 826-5027.

The Fishstix bring "Bar-BITCH-uates" to Kimo's,

SEE SAT

The Maids

Genet's drama examines desire and power. Thurs.-Sun. thru 10/23. \$7. 7pm. Studio Theatre, SFSU, 1600 Holloway Ave. 338-2467 338-2467

Men on the Verge of a His-Panic Breakdown

Six portraits of gay Latinos, starring George Castillo. Extended: Fri. & Sat. thru 10/22. \$12-18. 8pm. Theatre Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St. **861-5079**.

Mother Wove

Mother Wove the Morning In Carol Lynn Pearson's play, 16 women thru history search for the female face of God. Fri. & Sat, 8pm, Sun., 2pm. \$16. New Conservatory Theatre Center, 25 Van Ness Ave. 861-8972.

The Omen

The Sick and Twisted Players' production of the '70s horror classic Fri. & Sat. thru 10/31. \$10-12. 8pm. Bernice St. Playhouse, 21 Bernice St. 826-5358.

Princess Ida

Lamplighters Music Theatre presents Gilbert & Sullivan's fable. Fri. & Sat. at 8pm, Sun. at 2pm thru 11/5. \$22. Presentation Theatre, 2350 Turk Blvd. 227-0331.

Rush Limbaugh in Night School

Charlie Varon plays the right wing radio personality.

Sat. & Sun. thru 10/23, 1-6pm, \$2. 1229 Folsom St. 292-3223.

Mark I. Chester's annual sexual art exhibition opens, SEE FRI

Thurs.-Sat. thru 10/29. \$8-12. 8:30pm. The Marsh, 1062 Valencia St.

Salome
"(Sarome Kyu Kyu No Dan)." Theatre of Yugen and Tiny Alice Theatre Co. present leading Kabuki actor Kyozo Nakamura in this adaptation of Oscar Wilde's play. Thurs.-Sun. thru 10/16. \$12-19. 8pm. Theater Artaud, 450 Florida \$1,821,7797.

Mark I. Chester's 8th annual fall art exhibition: fine art photographs about sexuality; with drawings of male nudes by Kevin Woodson. Opens tonight, 7pm, \$5.

641-0235

Salome

Sexual Art

Scenes From

My Love Life
Ronnie Larsen's play about
sex clubs, phone sex and
theatre critics, extended
thru 10/16. \$12. 8:30pm.
Theatre Rhinoceros Studio,
2926 16th St. 861-5079.

The Texas Chainsav Manicurist

Musical comedy revue by Scott Warrender. Thurs.-Sat. \$15. 8pm. New Conservatory Theatre, 25 Van Ness Ave. **861-8972**.

Bar-BITCH-uates

The Fishstix bring music, choreography and comedy to Kimo's. \$10. 7:30 & 11pm. 1351 Polk St. 771-5311

Bucktooth Varmints

Play with Red Meat at El Rio. \$5. 10pm. 3158 Mission St. 282-3325.

Citizen Pan

Citizen Pan
Exhibition of work by Elliott
Linwood and Robin
Tichane, recipients of Visual
Aid's John Caldwell
Memorial Award.
"Deadpan" artist's talk
today, 3pm. Fri.-Sun., 126pm thru 11/6. Victoria
Room, 180 6th St.
255-0364.

Fashion

Meets Romance
Bay Area designers' fashion
show, cocktails, dancing.
Benefits AIDS Emergency
Fund. \$10. 8pm. Club Arte,
435 Broadway. 386-0103.

Suzy Berger, Hank Donat, Monica Palacios. \$10. 10pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. **861-7933**.

One Mind. Two Voices, Four Gloves

New show from a cappella duo Agony Aunts. Fri. and Sat. thru 10/22. \$7-10. 10:30pm. The Marsh, 1062 Valencia St. **641-0235**.

Open Studios

Open Studios
More than 700 San
Francisco artists open their
homes and workspaces
thru 10/30. 2nd Weekend:
Mission, Castro, Noe Valley
and Bernal Heights studios
open 11am-6pm. Maps
available at Directury
Exhibition, SOMAR Gallery,
934 Brannan St. 861-9838

Roughly Cut

Roughly Cut
Niklas Vollmer's video
about his botched circumcision. Also: Tom Di Maria's
"Tom's Flesh," Annie
Sprinkle's "Les/Linda: A
Transsexual Love Story"
and more. \$5. 8:30pm. ATA
Gallery, 992 Valencia St.

Somewhere **Over the Balcony**

Marie Jones' black comedy set in Belfast opens. Wed.-Sun. thru 11/6. \$12-15. 8pm. Bayfront Theater, Bldg. B, Fort Mason. 487-5401.

Coming Out Service

Gay-related music, poetry, inspirational messages. Free. 11am. First Unitarian Church, 1187 Franklin St. 776-4580.

Open House

and Open Studios. Free. 12-5pm. Headlands Center for the Arts, 944 Fort Barry, Sausalito. **331-2787**.

Dorothy Allison reads from Skin: Talking About Sex, Class & Literature. \$3-10 sliding scale. 7pm. Old Wives' Tales, 1009 Valencia. St. 821-4676.



Access
A hands-on, team-taught video production/ media workshop for queers, begins tonight for 7 weeks. \$85 plus materials. 7-10pm. Build, 483 Guerrero St. 864-5453.

The Dangerous Liaisons

The new opera by composer Conrad Susa and librettist Philip Littell is telecast on "Great Performances", 9pm, KQED Ch.9.

Et Cum Spiritu Tuo

Exhibition of photos by Tim Collins using the male form to examine gay spirit. Thru 10/23. Moby Dick, 4049 18th St. **771–2073**.

Gay Comedy

Open Mike
M.C. Rob Nash. Aspiring
queer comics sign up by
phone. \$5. 8pm. Josie's
Cabaret, 3583 16th St.
861-7933.

Glenn Ligon

Lecture by word-as-image painter and installation artist. \$6. 7:30pm. San Francisco Art Institute, 800 Chestnut St. **749-4588**.

One Man Show

New photographs by Steven Underhill, thru 10/20. Soho Gallery, 548 Castro St. **206-9341**.

Veronica Klaus **Heart & Soul** Review

Down home blues, big band sound, transsexual celebri-



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ty. \$2. 9:30pm. Cafe du Nord, 2170 Market St. 861-5016.



A Brand New
Ball Game
Celia Alvarez Muñoz draws
from histories of gay
Chicano family members in
her new installation. Tues.Sat. 12-6pm thru 11/12.
Capp Street Project, 525
2nd St. 495-7101.

Emiliano Lopez, Stella Johnson

Paintings by Oaxacan artist Lopez and photographs of Mexican women by Johnson. Tues.-Sat, 11am-6pm thru 10/25. Bucheon Gallery, 355 Hayes St. 863-2891.

Next to Nothing

Sculpture made from mundane objects barely altered by the artists, curated by Rene de Guzman. Tues.-Sun. thru 10/23, \$4. Center for the Arts, 701 Mission St. 978-ARTS.

Daniel Nicoletta

Daniel Nicoletta
Potraits of the lesbian, gay
and transgender community
by SF-based photographer.
Also, Bodies of Eros, new
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Something Remarkable May Happen Moving pictures by Ted Julian Arnold, and new work by Kathryn Kain. Tues.-Fri. 12-7pm, Sat. 11-6pm. thru 11/2. Morphos Gallery, 544 Hayes St. 626-1936.





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Three Hotels
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Center. 441-8822.



Canned **Ham Outlet**

Devilish tribute to Halloween, tactile "House of Blood and Guts." \$3-10. 8:30pm. Bernice St. Playhouse, off 12th St. betw. Folsom, Harrison Sts. 863-5946.

Fay's Fairy Tales

William Wegman's Cinderella and Little Red Riding Hood, photos starring weimaraners Fay and Battina, thru 11/27, Tues-Sat. 11am-5pm. \$4. Ansel Adams Center for Photography, 250 Fourth St. 495-8517.

Forms of Address

The 113th Annual Exhibition at the SF Art Institute. Thru 11/12. Walter/McBean Gallery, SFAI, 800 Chestnut St. 771-7020.

Gay Skate

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Her Body Doesn't Fit Her Soul

Belgian choreographer Wim Vandekeybus and his com-pany, Ultima Vez, present "an investigation into the senses." Wed.-Sat., 8pm. \$16-20. Theater Artaud, 450 Florida St. **392-4400**.

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Khan, an original shadow
theatre work by shadowmaster Larry Reed, opens
tonight, 8pm. Thurs-Sat, at
8pm, Sun. at 3pm thru
10/30. \$16. Cowell Theater,
Fort Mason Center.
392-4400

Laughing Wild

Christopher Durang's two-person comedy. Wed.-Sun. thru 10/23, \$22. 8pm. Mason St. Theatre, 340 Mason St. **982-SHOW**.

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Tongues Untied filmmaker. Free. 7:30pm. Nahl Hall, CCAC, 5212 Broadway, Oakland. **(510) 653-8118**.

¡Muertos de Gusto!

"Day of the Dead Ritual and Memory," exhibition exploring expressions of dia de los muertos. \$3. Mexican Museum, Bldg. D, Fort Mason Center. 441-0404.

Murdering Thing

Oona Nelson's installation probes the aesthetics of violence. Wed.-Sat. 12-5pm thru 11/5. The Lab, 1807 Divisadero St. **346-4063**.

Boyfriend's Back

"And There's Gonna Be Laundry," Sandra Shamas' one-woman show: looking for love in deepest Toronto. Tues.-Sat. thru 11/26. \$20. Spm. Alcazar Theatre, 650 Geary St. **441-4042**.

Burt Reynolds

Burt claims Loni destroyed their marriage in his new autobio, *My Life*. Reads free at Clean, Well-Lighted Place, 12:30pm. 601 Van Ness Ave. **441-6670**.

Sweet Sadie

Former Pomo Afro Homo Djola Bernard Branner invokes his mother through music, dance, theater. Opens tonight. Wed.-Sun. thru 10/30 at 8pm. \$12. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. 861-7933.

Mary Wings

Reading and signing *Divine* Victim. 7:30pm. A Different Light, 489 Castro St. 431-0891



As Thousands Cheer

Irving Berlin and Moss Hart's 1930s revue Irving Berlin and Moss Hart's 1930s revue is revived by 42nd Street Moon's Lost Musical Series. Thurs. & Fri. at 8pm, Sat. at 6pm, Sun. at 2pm thru 10/30. \$15. New

Conservatory Theatre, 25 Van Ness Ave. **861-8972**.

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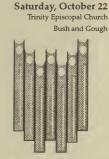
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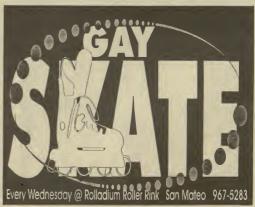
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BAZAAR

MR. MARCUS

"Wonderful Women"— Wonderful Bike Run

lose to 110 biker mavens traveled 150 miles north to the beautiful redwoods setting of Camp Mendocino last weekend for the 1994 Golden Gate Guards MC 8th annual weekend bike run. The theme this year was "Oktoberfest." Registration and a cocktail party Friday night in the lodge, followed by a scrumptious dinner and the "guest" show, started the weekend.

Dowager Empress Marlena emceed a series of acts that had the crowd screaming "Wonderful Woman!" as various numbers, including one with drag, were played out. After several people played the Uno card game (some until 0500 in the morning), everyone retired to their cabins in preparation for the next day's biker, buddy and people events.

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The weather was superb: not too hot during the day, not too cold at night.

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After a hearty breakfast Saturday morning, the games began with intricate biking acumen on display for both riders and buddies; while some people jumped on the Skunk Train to go to Willits or Fort Bragg, others explored the woods, skinny-dipped in a nearby creek, or participated in "people games," an interlude that elicited much laughter. (It included dart games, the targets being Guards members, dressing a dummy and other fun things.)

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Just before the dinner hour, the Constantines MC hosted a champagne and hors d'oeuvres hour; the Guards' dining room was festooned in the blue and white colors of Munich; the blue table cloths, silverware, crystal, flower arrangements and the prime rib dinner were all superb. Andy Rose and Dick Manning slaved away in the kitchen with volunteers most of the weekend and their hard work certainly paid off. The desserts were flawless.

After dinner plaques were

desserts were flawless.

After dinner, plaques were awarded for the competition events performed earlier in the day. There were too many awards to mention here, but LA's Greg Mills walked off with most of them. The Guards' run/show was a spectacle beyond the average amateur hour; if I heard "Wonderful Woman" once, I heard it a dozen times as the spoof show spun on. Prince Siegfried (Andy Rose) awakening to leather; the Ride of the Valkyries, Brunhilda (Dale Seuss), and Keith Truitt in drag, were hilarious.

(Dale Seuss), and Keith Truitt in drag, were hilarious. Things went off without a hitch. The sound, lighting and stomping ovations after every number, and especially the Rapunzel scene with the GGG's First Lady, Frank, were superb. With card games, tent games, boozing and cruising, it was quite an event. The Sierra Pacific Rangers presented a huge plaque to the Guards and the GDI's Pushy Phyllis was amazingly discreet all weekend.



Photo: Mr. Marcu

When Keith Truitt joined the Golden Gate Guards, he told them he'd never do drag, but look what happened to him at his club's run last weekend.



Photo: Mr. Marcu

Two guys from Eugene, Oregon at the Golden Gate Guards' bike run last weekend (Neal and Wayne). They had everyone swooning for 72 hours.



Photo: Mr. Ma

"If You Could See Her Through My Eyes" brought down the house by Mr. Bruce (L.) and Warrior MC member Greg Mills at the bike run's guest night.

Two hot dudes from Eugene, Oregon (Neal Freeman and Wayne Shull) had everyone in a tizzy, especially Johannes of the Cal Eagles, who I'm sure "scored" more than anyone on the run.

How Jack Goodall was able How Jack Goodall was able to remember every detail in pulling off this superb run is beyond comprehension, but it worked and he, too, should be commended for the dedication he displayed to both his club and his cuests. Next time your and his guests. Next time you get a hankering to just "get away" and let your hair down, a weekend bike run with almost any SF bike club is your best bet

On Sunday, the Phoenix Uniform Club hosted the beerbust at the Eagle. The theme was Fleet Week. I never saw so many gay sailors in one place. KP (kitchen police) consisted of peeling potatoes; raffle tickets for American Airlines trips were on sale along with other goodies. On top of everything else, the 49ers soundly tromped the Detroit Lions, redeeming themselves after the trouncing they got last Sunday. A great weekend!

Dot. Dot. Dot. Dish

San Diego's leather community finally got an Eagle Bar; it opened last week. One of our bare chest calendar men, Bob Toner, is on the staff (which is reason enough in itself to visit the place), so next time you're down there, stop in and say Hi! to sonny Keenum and Richard Smith, the owners. The address

Smith, the owners. The address is 3040 Park Way.

The annual Leather & Feathers competition, which features \$100 cash prizes in the features \$100 cash prizes in the categories of humor, group and theme will take place at the Eagle on Friday, Oct. 28 beginning at 2100. Don't miss it!

Steve Gaynes and Richard Bollingbroke are finally making it "legal"; they'll toast and exchange rings this Saturday

night (Oct. 15) at a private/invitation ceremony. Hey, Steve, who gets the "pick of the litter," darrrling?

darrting?

The new sex emporium, The PlayGround, is still busy transforming itself into San Francisco's premiere club: look for more "improvements" in the near future. Everyone is just raving about this place!

Look for an exciting fundraiser hosted by the AIDS Emergency Fund coming any day now. There are so many super movie stars in town filmsuper movie stars in town imming epics that two of the biggest and brightest are planning to make public appearances on behalf of AEF – I know you'll want to meet them, so stay tuned.

A sign posted at Sharon Viola's station in the Eagle's back bar last Sunday read: "Beware! Woman bartender on duty." Maybe that will keep that misogynist creep from coming where he is not welcome!





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Affairs to Remember

Friday, Oct. 14
American Brotherhood Weekend in Washington, D.C., opens tonight through Sunday (Oct. 16). They'll be selecting the American Leatherwana, American Leatherwana and American Cowboy, with Jose Ucles directing the whole thing, including another Dungeon Dance.

Dance.
Jo Leroux passes the sash to the 1994-95
Dyke Daddy at the Eagle tonight, beginning at
2000 with a \$6 beer bust. Apps available at the
bar now if you're Interested in competing.
Thanks, Jo, for a great year. You did us proud!
Mark I. Chester opens his erotic photo art
show (\$5) tonight at 1225 Folsom (through Oct.
23) with a reception at 1900 and over 60 b & w
photos sure to get your loins moist. Always a
thrilling event when Mark has a show of his own
renderings. Don't miss it.

Saturday, Oct. 15
Don Thompson celebrates his 60th birthday tonight at the Eagle with hordes of entertainment and a \$6 beer bust and buffet at 2000. No auction, raffle or 50/50 play. The show starts at 2100 and benefits the Godfather Service Fund.
GDI's Minsky Show at the California Club (Clay/Van Ness). Doors open at 1830. Showtime: 1900. Members of all the clubs will be in the show which benefits the Inter-Club Fund.
Weekend run to Death Valley (Zabriskie Point). Meet on 400 block of Castro St. at 0800. For more info: (415) 563-6100.
Bears of SF bear bust at the Lone Star Saloon today, 1500 to 1900 for \$6, benefiting AIDS Benefit Counselors. Hot dogs, raffle tickets require extra bucks. This group is always a guaranteed good time.

Over at the Pilsner Inn, the Bear Hug Group hosts a bear bust from 1500 to 1900 for \$6. Klcks off Bear Expo '95 next February.

Sunday, Oct. 16
Women's Mountain Run (under the auspices of Ms. SF Leather Diana Hardick) leaves from

Cafe Flore at 1100 this morning for the Santa Cruz Mountains and a party in the redwoods. At this late date, the fee is \$20 for a bike show, 50/50 raffle and more. To benefit the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Research Fund. Always good to see leather title holders showing leadership by doing something worthwhile instead of writing whining, irrational letters of criticism, isn't it?

Pacific Bears are supposed to be hosting the beer bust at the Eagle, but no press release reached me at my deadline. Not surprising.

Wednesday, Oct. 19
Golden Gate Guards MC beer bust at Nightshift Bar tonight, but no details furnished here again. Are you reading this, Perrin?
Leather Buddies meet tonight at 933 Harrison for leathery fun and games. No cologne! Dress code enforced, with doors open only between 2030 and 2330. Call 979-0242 for more details. Wear boots!

Saturday, Oct. 22
The 15 Association's play party tonight.
BYOB. Call 673-0642 for invite/location/cost.
Ms. San Diego Leatherwoman Contest at the
Masonic Lodge in that town. No other details furnished.

Wednesday, Oct. 26

New thing at 933 Harrison. Wet Buddies. You know the rules, the genre and the location.

Thursday, Oct. 27
SF Jazz Festival opens in San Francisco
through Nov. 13. Leathermen and women
always found at this event. More on this one next

Friday, Oct. 28
Leather and Feathers Halloween Costume
Contest at the SF-Eagle at 2100 tonight. Win
\$100 cash in three categories (see above). ▼





HOW THEY FARED

San Francisco women's singles:

Melinda Phillips def. Mary Johnson (SF), 6-0, 6-2; Abi Jeung(SF) def. P.J. Rivera, 6-0, 6-2; Jennifer Hagan (SF) def. Sandy Pedragon, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5; Nancy Boutilier (SF) def. Mary Matsik, 6-2, 6-3; Laura Webber def. Cheri Halsem (SF), 6-4, 4-6, 7-5; Katie Harrison (SF) def. Cindy Huff, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

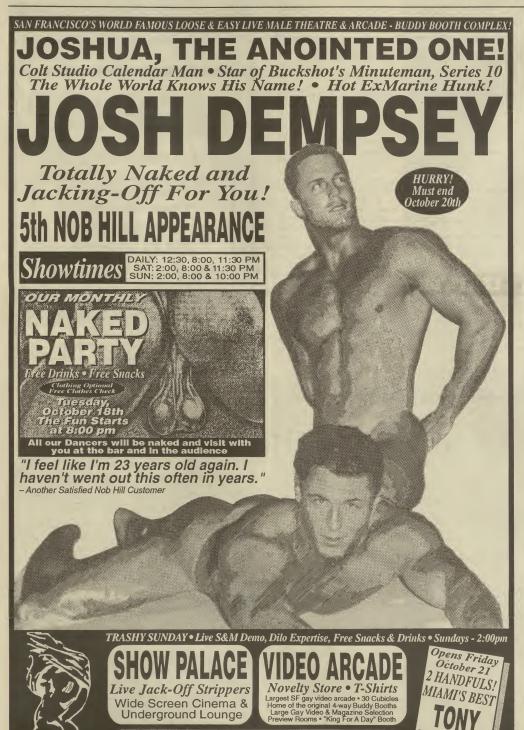
Women's doubles: Terry Coblentz/Phillip def. Johnson/Jeung (SF), 6-0, 4-6, 6-0; Webber/Pedragon def. Hagan/Harrison (SF), 6-2, 0-6, 6-4; Halsem/Boutilier (SF) def. Matsick/Huff, 6-2, 6-2.

San Francisco men's singles:
Darryl Hubbard(SF) def. Michael Mathias (LA), 2-6, 7-5, 6-3; Vince Riveroll (SD) def. Bruce Jervis (SF), 6-2, 6-4; Ron Tal (SF) def. Jon Chander (SD), 6-7, 6-4, 6-4; Norm Burgos (SF) def. Mike Wooten (LA), 6-4, 7-5; Dan Fung (SF) def. Mike Clardy (LA), 3-6, 7-6, 6-2; Jeff Griffith (SD) def. Perry Ramon (SF), 6-1, 6-3; Randy Sommers (SF) def. Les Laubscher (SD), 6-2, 7-6; Peter Torres (SF) def. Alex Logan (LA), 6-3, 6-7, 6-3; Mark Schaeffer (LA) def. Bill Bennett (SF), 1-6, 6-3, 7-6 (8-6); Bob Walton (SD) def. Pat Miller (SF), 6-3, 6-3; Joe Romano (SF) def. Brad Hasper (SD), 6-2, 7-5; Kyle Baker (SD) def. Tom Neville (SF), 6-4, 6-2; Paul Sheppard (SF) def. Ken Lenard (LA), 6-4, 6-1; Bobby Docena (SF) def. Brian Smith (SD), 6-3, 6-0; Wayne Knisley (SD) def. Mark Dinh (SF), 6-4, 2-6, 6-3; Jim Taylor (SF) def. Larry Bercella (LA), 5-7, 6-0, 6-1; J.P Boone (LA) def.

Dan Hess (SF), 3-6, 6-1, 7-5; Shannon Byall (SF) def. Nick Tchau (SD), 3-6, 6-1, Dan Hess (SF), 3-0, 6-1, 7-3, Shannon Byall (SF) del. Nick Tehau (SD), 3-0, 6-1, 0-1, Warren Nevis (SF) def. Leo Torres (SD), 6-3, 7-6; Shawn Dougherty (LA) def. Robb McCann (SF), 6-3, 5-7, 7-6; Eric Michaelson (SF) def. Tony Abrahano (LA), 7-5, 6-3; Paul Porcher (SD) def. Kevin Richardson (SF), 6-3, 6-3; Karl Baum (SF) def. Bob Wing (SD), 6-4, 6-7, 6-1; Rob Liddiard (LA) def. Roberth Creth (SF), 6-7, 6-1, 6-3;

Men's doubles:

Kaye/Wooten (LA) def. Sommers/Torres (SF); Sommers/Torres (SF) def. Fong/Stecker (SD); Clardy/Coakley (LA) def. Jervis/Fung (SF); Chandler/Williford (SD) def. Jervis/Fung (SF); Baker/Westfall (LA) def. Burgos/Tal (SF); Winters/Riveroll (SD) def. Burgos/Tal (SF); Hubbard/Miller (SF) def. Santiago/Sloan (LA); Walton/Laubscher (SD) def. Hubbard/Miller (SF); Mathias/Bridges (LA) def. Nevis Ramon (SF); Nevis Ramon (SF) def. Griffith/Thomas (SD); Nijjar/Logan (LA) def. McCann/Baum (SF); McCann/Baum (SF) def. Hasper/Tchau (SD); Romano/Bennett (SF) def. Loo/Papile (LA); Romano/Bennett (SF) def. Farris/Bond (SD); Nissley/Bercilla (LA) def. Neville/Docena (SF); Neville/Docena (SF) def. Ford/Knisley (SD); Michaelson/Byall (SF) def. Schaeffer/Lenard (LA); Michaelson/Byall (SF) def. Smith/Bennett (SD); Dinh/Sheppard (SF) def. Sutton/Boone (LA); Dinh/Sheppard (SF) def. Harkey/Frail (SD); Dougherty/Jacobs (LA) def. Hess/Taylor (SF); Hess/Taylor (SF) def. Torres/Pugeda (SD); Austria/Collins (LA) def. Creth/Richardson (SF); Creth/Richardson (SF) def. Porcher/Wing (SD) ▼



DAILY SHOWTIMES AT: 12:30, 3:00,5:30 &00, 9:00, 10:00 & 11:30 PM FIRST LIVE SHOW SAT & SUN: 2:00 PM LATE SHOW: 12:30 AM FRI & SAT

Women Defend Cal Cup

by Nancy Boutilier

Women's California Cup tennis play began two years ago here in San Francisco. ago here in San Francisco.
Last year, the San Francisco
women blanked Los
Angeles, 9-0, in match play.
This year, a team of six
women, captained by returning player and founder of the
competition, Abi Jeung, hit
the courts in Los Angeles to
defend their ownership of the
silver cup that marks the

silver cup that marks the two-city rivalry.

Los Angeles proved tougher this time around, taking the lead 3-2 at the end of day one. But, the women of San Francisco's Gay and Lesbian Tennis Federation held out, winning three of the next day's four to clinch the five needed for victory. "We Itve needed for victory. We brought a strong, balanced team to defend the Cup," said Jeung after the win. As Cal Cup moves to San Diego next year, there's hope that a third team will join the play.

Competetiveness marked the men's play, evidenced by the fact that half of San Francisco's singles matches went to three sets in matches went to three sets in the first day of play, leaving close on the heels of Los Angeles, 14-16, with San Diego in the cellar with only six singles wins.

On day two the doubles action allowed Los Angeles to maintain their lead. Lacantian Todd Stillman also

to maintain their lead. LA captian Todd Stillman also chalked up the victory to depth. "Despite the strong and talented team that came down from San Francisco," he said, "we were able to pull through on our depth and doubles play." \(\bigve\)

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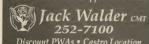
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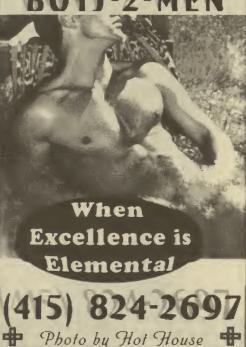
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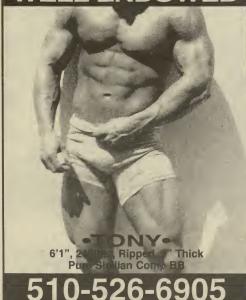
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